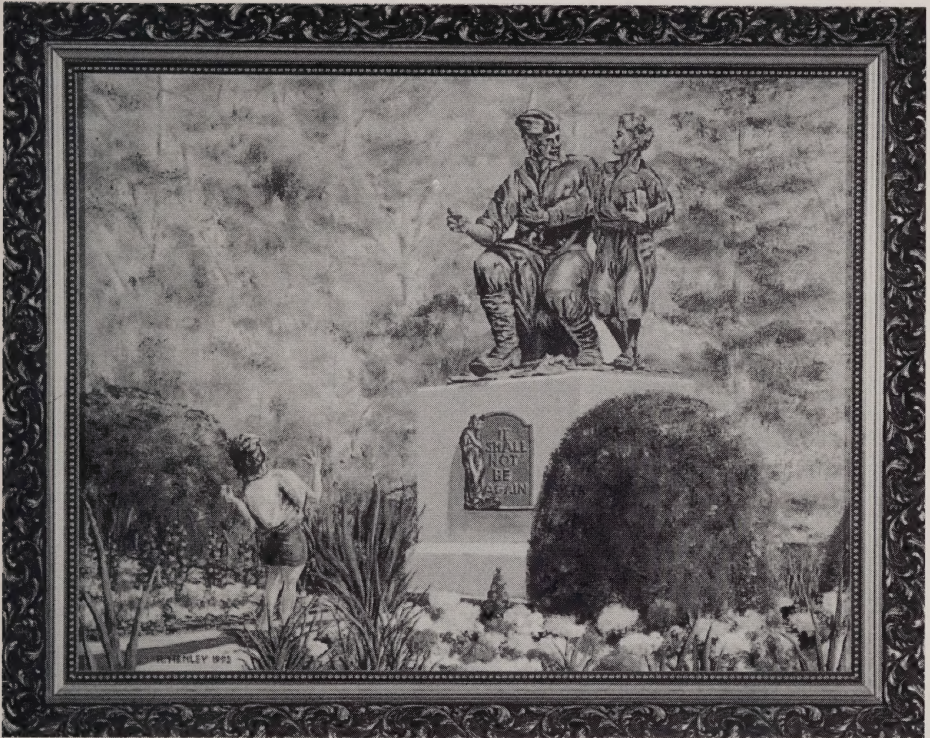


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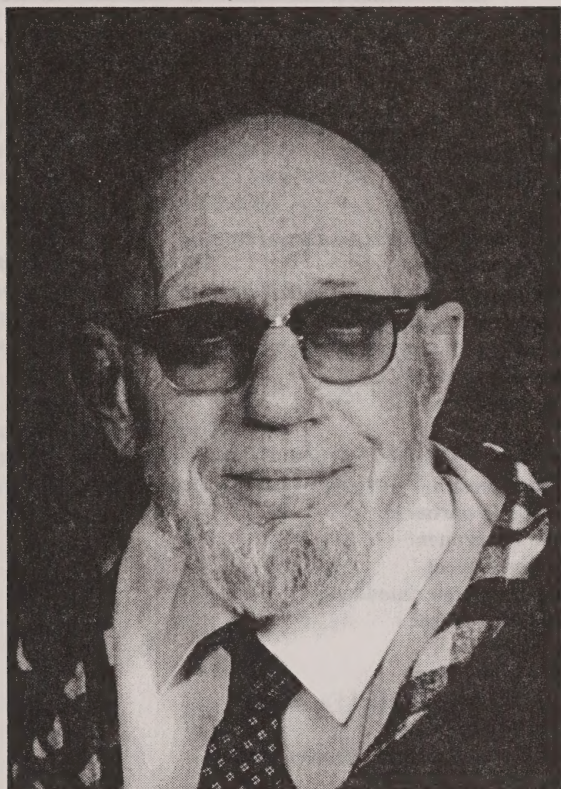
Cover painting of the Peace Statue by
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Dedicated to
Ralph L. Henley
in recognition of all
you have done for
the Town of Orange

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1998
ELECTED BOARDS AND OFFICERS

SELECTMEN	
ROBERT F. ANDREWS (Chairman)	MARCH 1999
WILLIAM J. WRIGLEY	MARCH 2000
ARTHUR REPPAS	MARCH 2001
MODERATOR	
CHRISTOPHER WOODCOCK	MARCH 1999
TOWN CLERK	
SHIRLEY L. PAGE	MARCH 1999
TREASURER	
VIRGINIA L. JONES	MARCH 2000
COLLECTOR	
DEBBIE J. NUTTER	MARCH 2000
BOARD OF ASSESSORS	
RICHARD HALL (Chairman)	MARCH 2000
RAYMOND R. LEONARD	MARCH 1999
NORMAN BARTLETT	MARCH 2001
BOARD OF HEALTH	
PAUL KOWACKI (Chairman)	MARCH 2000
NAN HUNT	MARCH 2001
JOHN DOLAN	MARCH 1999
CONSTABLES	
CALVERT LUNDGREN	MARCH 2001
JOHN T O'LARI	MARCH 2001
JOSEPH LUCE	MARCH 2001
TREE WARDEN	
STEVEN J. BOUDREAU	MARCH 2001
ORANGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE	
WILLIAM C. LARKIN (Chairman)	MARCH 2001
JOHN W. VANNORS DALL	MARCH 2000
ELIZABETH PEIRCE	MARCH 2001
LUANNE LYMAN	MARCH 2001
DEBRA A. GABRENAS	MARCH 1999
MARCIA S. LAROCQUE	MARCH 1999
LOUISE HAMEL	MARCH 2000
REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE	
CLIFFORD J. FOURNIER (Chairman)	MARCH 2000
PETER CROSS	MARCH 2001
CHARLOTTE RYAN	MARCH 2001
DIANE POND	MARCH 1999
DENNIS VELARD	MARCH 1999
ANN REED	MARCH 2000
LIBRARY TRUSTEES	
NANCY B. MOUSLEY (Chairman)	MARCH 2000
PAMELA ODDY	MARCH 2000
ROBERT P. COLLEN	MARCH 2001
RACHEL HOROWITZ	MARCH 2001
GLENYS M. HARRIS	MARCH 1999
SUSAN ENKO	MARCH 1999

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DENNIS VELARD		MARCH 1999
ANN REED		MARCH 2000
LIBRARY TRUSTEES		
NANCY B. MOUSLEY (Chairman)		MARCH 2000
PAMELA ODDY		MARCH 2000
ROBERT P. COLLEN		MARCH 2001
RACHEL HOROWITZ		MARCH 2001
GLENYS M. HARRIS		MARCH 1999
SUSAN ENKO		MARCH 1999

WATER COMMISSIONERS	
DONALD W. PRIESTLEY (Chairman)	MARCH 1999
DONALD L. BARNES	MARCH 2000
FRANCIS SMITH	MARCH 2001

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS	
ROGER TOLMAN(Chairman)	MARCH 1999
LOUIS MARONI	MARCH 2000
EDWARD LAUGHTON	MARCH 2001

HOUSING AUTHORITY	
ROBERT LUNNY (Chairman)	MARCH 2001
ELIZABETH HATSTAT	MARCH 2001
PAUL ENO	MARCH 2000
STEWART MARSHALL	MARCH 1999
RICE FLANDERS (Governor's Appointee)	MAY 22,2001

APPOINTED BOARDS AND OFFICERS

FINANCE COMMITTEE	
CARLTON LANOU (Chairman)	MARCH 2000
DOROTHY RUBY	MARCH 2000
GARY G. POND	MARCH 2001
JANE M. PEIRCE	MARCH 2000
LINDA SMITH	MARCH 2001
PETER PULLEY	MARCH 1999
EARL R. DREW	MARCH 1999

AIRPORT COMMISSION	
JULIE COLE (Chairman)	MARCH 2000
EDWARD DORNIG	MARCH 2001
SCOTT PARKER	MARCH 2001
FREDERICK A. MOCK	MARCH 1999
RICHARD WHITE	MARCH 1999

PLANNING BOARD	
BRUCE SCHERER (Chairman)	MARCH 2001
THOMAS FOREST	MARCH 2001
ALBERT NOYES	MARCH 2000
DAVID SONGER	MARCH 2000
GILDO SIMEONE	MARCH 2000
RICHARD SHERIDAN	MARCH 1999

CONSERVATION COMMISSION	
KENNETH SONGER (Chairman)	MARCH 2001
ALEC MACLEOD	MARCH 2001
JONI SIDILAU (Resigned 9/8/98)	MARCH 2001
RICHARD WILKEY	MARCH 2000
MICHAEL YOHAN	MARCH 1999
NAN HUNT	MARCH 1999
ROBERT MICHAUD	MARCH 2001

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS	
RICHARD HERK JR. (Chairman)	MARCH 2001
PETER CELLANA	MARCH 2001
CRAIG PERRY	MARCH 2001
GEORGE HUNT JR. (Alternate)	MARCH 2000
JEAN CHASE (Alternate)	MARCH 2001
RHONDA BARTLETT (Alternate)	MARCH 2001
RANDALL MATTHEWS	MARCH 1999

ORANGE CULTURAL COUNCIL		
DOUGLAS S. FEENEY (Chairman)		MARCH 2000
TABATHA MARTINELLI		MARCH 1999
VIRGINIA MARTINELLI		MARCH 2001
CANDACE CURRAN		MARCH 2001
ANNE LANDRY		MARCH 2001
TONY BOSCO		MARCH 2001
TINA DELISLE		MARCH 2001
COUNCIL ON AGING		
CLIFFORD J. FOURNIER (Chairman)		MARCH 1999
MARY LAWSON		MARCH 2001
ROBERT HUGHES		MARCH 2001
ADEL MADSEN		MARCH 2001
JEAN CHASE		MARCH 2000
FLORENCE BICKFORD		MARCH 2000
EARL DREW		MARCH 2000
ROBERTA DAHL		MARCH 1999
MURRAY MOCK		MARCH 1999
LUCIA CAVALIERE		MARCH 1999
COUNCIL ON AGING REP. TO F.R.T.A.A.B.		
FRANCIS METTIVIER		MARCH 1999
BUILDING DEPARTMENT		
INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS		
BRIAN GALE		MARCH 1999
INSPECTOR OF WIRES		
RICHARD DIONNE		MARCH 1999
RICHARD PHILLIPS (Assistant)		MARCH 1999
GAS INSPECTOR		
MELVIN TALBOT		MARCH 1999
PLUMBING INSPECTOR		
GERALD BROUSSEAU		MARCH 1999
JOHN DOLAN (Assistant)		MARCH 1999
SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES		
JOHN R. GREENE		MARCH 1999
SEWER FACILITIES COMMITTEE		
WILLIAM WOODCOCK		MARCH 2000
JOSEPH BOTTI		MARCH 2000
MICHAEL MAGEE		MARCH 2000
REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TEC. SCHOOL		
CLIFFORD J. FOURNIER		MARCH 1999
JEAN CHASE		MARCH 2001
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR		
LISA WHITE (Resigned 9/4/98)		
JEAN CHASE (Temporary)		
POLICE CHIEF		
BRIAN SPEAR		
FIRE CHIEF		
DENNIS ANNEAR		MARCH 1999
DISTRICT DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF		
C. DAVID GALE		MARCH 1999
DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF		
BRUCE BLACKMER		MARCH 1999

	FOREST FIRE WARDEN	
DENNIS ANNEAR		MARCH 1999
	DEPUTY FOREST FIRE WARDENS	
BRUCE BLACKMER		MARCH 2000
C. DAVID GALE		MARCH 2000
ROBERT LAFORD (Resigned)		MARCH 2000
FRANCIS SMITH		MARCH 2000
JEROME NOYES		MARCH 2000
	SUPT. OF FIRE ALARM	
FRANCIS SMITH		MARCH 2000
	CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR	
JOHN BARTUS		MARCH 1999
	VETERANS AGENT	
LEO PARENT		MARCH 1999
	TOWN ACCOUNTANT	
DORIS BITTENBENDER		MARCH 1999
	DOG OFFICER	
KIM RUSHFORD		MARCH 1999
	INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS	
KIM RUSHFORD		MARCH 1999
	SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAY	
DAVID FRYE		MARCH 1999
	SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER	
RICHARD KILHART		MARCH 1999
	SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERY	
THOMAS FOREST		MARCH 1999
	SANITATION SUPERINTENDENT	
DAVID BOCK (Resigned)		
	ADA HANDICAPPED ACCESS COMPLIANCE BOARD	
LAURIE A. NEELEY (Coordinator)		
PAT BUSHAY		
JOHN SMITH		
DALE A. RULE		
	CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE	
PAMELA ODDY (Chairman)		JULY 2000
FRED MOCK		JULY 1999
JAMES O'CONNOR		JULY 2001
BRUCE GABRENAS		
CARLTON LANOU		
RICHARD HALL (Alternate)		
	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INDUSTRIAL CORP.	
ANN MARIE HOLMGREN (Chairman)		JULY 1999
KARL BITTENBENDER		JULY 1999
BRUCE GABRENAS		JULY 1999
DAVID AMES		JULY 1999
RICHARD SHERIDAN		JULY 1999
OLI PAOLETTI		JULY 2001
	ASSOCIATES	
GARY HISCOCK (Deceased 11/98)	WILLIAM WRIGLEY	RICHARD WHITE
ELWYN HAYDEN	STEPHEN RAYMOND	TOM KUSSY
ANDREA SHAUGHNESSY	LEE COTE	

ARMORY COMMISSION

EARL DREW
WILLIAM RUBY
FRANCIS METTIVIER
KENNETH TRUCKEY
LUCY CAVALIERE
EDWARD BILLIEL
RUTH SONGER

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

DOROTHY TRUCKEY	MARCH 1999
DOROTHY WOODARD	MARCH 2000
DARREN ALSTON	MARCH 2001
SHIRLEY L. PAGE, TOWN CLERK	MARCH 1999

REP. TO FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

PHILIP LEGER
BRUCE SCHERER

SKATE PARK COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE BOARD

BURKE LEGERE	JOSEPH YOUNG	CARRIE LeVOERGE
TERESA SOUZA	JASON GABRENAS	JOSHUA LEGERE
WILLIAM SYKES	WILLIAM FERRIS JR. (Resigned)	PAUL BENOIT

LOCAL WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT OFFICIAL

RICHARD KILHART	MARCH 1999
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MOBILE RENT CONTROL BOARD

ROBERTA DAHL (Chairman)	MARCH 2000
JEAN CHASE	MARCH 2000
ARTHUR REPPAS	MARCH 2000

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

ANNE REUBIN (Chairman)	2001
GROVER BALLOU	2001
KENNETH R. KILHART	2000
LINDA TEMPLE	2000
MARCIA LAROCQUE	2001
GLEN JOHNSON	1999

HUMAN RESOURCE BOARD

RACHEL HOROWITZ	JULY 2001
JOSEPH HAWKINS	JULY 1999
BRUCE GABRENAS	JULY 1999

LIBRARY BUILDING STUDY COMMITTEE

CANDY ASHENDON	PAMELA ODDY	DAVID AMES
E. MURRAY MOCK	CURTIS RAND	ROSE THOMS
JANICE LANOU	NANCY MOUSLEY	BRUCE SCHERER
RICHARD ASTRELLA		

TOWN BARN SITING COMMITTEE

MICHAEL YOHAN	PATRICIA ANDREWS	EARL DREW
KEVIN SMITH	THOMAS GILMAN	PAUL BICKFORD
RICHARD KILHART	THOMAS FOREST	ELWYN DEVENEAU
LORIE SMITH	KARREL SIMMINGTON	

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

DAVID AMES	MARCH 1999
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BOARD OF HEALTH AGENT

PHILIP LEGER

VITALS

TOTALS OF ALL VITALS FOR 1998

MARRIAGES	42
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BIRTHS	FEMALES	37
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MALES	29
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DEATHS	FEMALES	33
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MALES	23
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Respectfully submitted

Shirley L. Page

Town Clerk

SPORTING LICENSES

FISHING LICENSES

RESIDENT	72
MINOR	6
RESIDENT AGE 65-69	10
HANDICAP - OVER 70	30
NON RESIDENT	6
3 DAY RESIDENT	1
DUPLICATE	3

HUNTING LICENSES

RESIDENT	22
NON RESIDENT	1
MINOR	3
DUPLICATE	1

SPORTING LICENSES

RESIDENT	81
RESIDENT AGE 65-69	11
OVER 70	57
DUPLICATE	4

CONSERVATION STAMPS

RESIDENTS	202
NON RESIDENTS	8
ARCHERY STAMPS	16
PRIMITIVE ARM STAMPS	7
WATERFOWL STAMPS	9

DOG REPORT

MALE	407
FEMALE	71
SPAYED FEMALE	340

KENNELS	
4 DOGS	12
10 DOGS	7
OVER 10	3

LATE DOG FINES	\$970.00
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN - 1998 ANNUAL REPORT

Following Town Elections in March, the Board reorganized with Robert Andrews, Chair, William Wrigley, Vice Chair and Arthur Reppas, Clerk. The 1998 calendar year has seen a number of new projects started and brought to completion.

The landfill operation on Jones Street is now a full time transfer station. After reviewing potential candidates for manager of the facility, Paul Bickford was hired. With his experience and dedication the residents of Orange will continue to receive top notch solid waste and hazardous household waste disposal and recycling services.

This year we were able to put 42 street lights back in operation. The plan is that if money is available the rest of the street lights will be turned on by the end of 1999.

The Town of Orange received over 1.8 million in grant funds for the establishment of a second industrial park at Randall Pond, and has applied for \$950,000 in Public Works Economic Development Funds. The Town also received \$584,000 from the Department of Housing and Community Development for South Main Street Sewer Repair and Town Hall Handicapped Accessibility. A regional grant was also received for approximately \$300,00 for housing rehabilitation.

The Orange Economic Development and Industrial Corporation has purchased Randall Pond. A town meeting vote overwhelmingly supported development of Randall Pond followed by Airport development.

The rededication of the Peace Statue and the renovated Memorial Park was held on May 30, 1998. This was 64 years to the day when the original statue was dedicated to honor those who lost their lives in wars, especially the 11 from Orange who lost their lives in World War I. The Reverend Wallace Fiske, who was on the original committee gave the invocation. Representing the French Government was Denis Malton, Vice Consul of the French Consulate in Boston. The Memorial Park Committee and all who were a part of the dedication should be proud of the results.

This fall, a much needed new boiler was installed to update the heating system in the Town Hall.

Shirley Page, Town Clerk, was able to find that the current holder of the Boston Post Cane is 105 years old Alice Cote. A gold tipped cane was given to all towns in Massachusetts to honor their oldest citizen.

On April 15, 1998 Karin Knauf was hired as Assistant to the Town Administrator. When Lisa White resigned, Karin took over some of the duties that had been done by Lisa. She has done a great job and is to be commended for her help. In September, Jean Chase was hired as interim Town Administrator until a full time replacement could be hired.

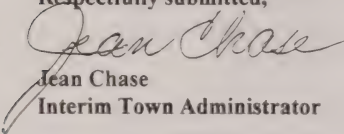
The resignation of Lisa White was accepted with regret. Her resignation took effect on September 4, 1998. She has accepted the position of director of Municipal Services with the Franklin Council of Governments. Lisa has been a great asset to the Town and her experience and knowledge will be missed.

We took advantage of a program that the Massachusetts Electric Company was sponsoring, a program to update lighting at the Town Hall. This included new fixtures for the clerks office, administrators office as well as the highway. New lights were also installed in some of the outside fixtures.

The Board of Selectmen approved the installation of e-mail for the town departments and offices. We will be among the first to have this through out the Town. This will enable the departments to down load forms from the state, as well as contact all departments.

Terese Beaudry signed a contract with the Selectmen in December and will start her duties as the new Town Administrator on January 11, 1999.

Respectfully submitted,



Jean Chase

Interim Town Administrator

**ANNUAL REPORT
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**

The Orange Community Development Office is entirely funded through the State and Federal Grant programs. This year we received the following new grants awards:

Building Demolition

Provides funds to demolish abandoned buildings	\$170,000
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Economic Development Administration grant

Provides upgrade to WWTF and sewer/water for new industrial park	\$1,000,000
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Peer to Peer grant

Provides economic development technical assistance	\$860
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Community Development Block Grant

Provides funds for Town Hall accessibility and sewer upgrade	\$584,000
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Joint Community Development Block Grant

Housing rehabilitation for residents of Orange	\$200,000
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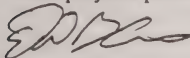
Total 1998 grants	\$1,954,860
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This year we finished the sewer project for Brookside Road. All of the houses that could be connected to gravity sewer have connected. Many houses have begun hooking up to the pressure line at the owners expense.

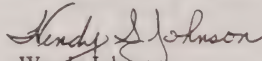
The Community Development Office completed renovation of the bathroom at Muzzy field to comply with ADA.

Receivership was officially completed on the Goddard Block project. When this office became the receiver the building had one businesses and 5 apartments rented out. The Board of Health was on the verge of removing the tenants because of the conditions. Today the building has six storefronts and 6 apartments rented out with 2 other apartments available. The other building is still in receivership.

Both projects provided an tremendous boost to the revitalization of the downtown.



David B. Ames
Community Development Director



Wendy Johnson
Administrative Assistant

The Orange Economic Development and Industrial Corporation

This EDIC had a tremendously successful year. The EDIC won a legal dispute that threatened its existence and the development of a new industrial park. Thanks to overwhelming citizen support, it was able to prevent an attempt to stop the industrial park at town meeting. After months of effort and discussion, the Town overwhelmingly voted to continue with the Randall Pond Industrial Park as its first priority, followed by development of Airport land when it becomes available. The EDIC purchased Randall Pond and has had inquiries on 5 sites. A CDAG grant will provide the additional funding needed to complete the project.

Karl Bittenbender has been working to create a covenant for the park. The covenant is based on standards versus business type. Engineering plans for the industrial park are almost completed. The project will go out to bid next spring. Construction is expected to take four months. Businesses will be able to move in starting in 1999.

Current Members:

AnnMarie Holmgren, Chair
David Ames, Vice Chair
Karl Bittenbender, Treasurer
Richard Sheriden, Secretary

Bruce Gabrenas
Olinto Paoletti
vacant

Associate Members:

Elwyn Hayden, Sr.
Lee Cote

Tom Kussy
Andrea Shaughnessy

January 5, 1999

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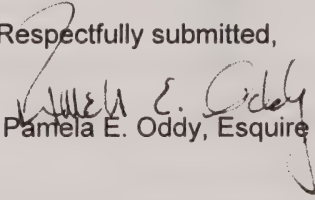
Capital Improvement Planning Committee

The Capital Improvement Planning Committee, consisting of Pamela Oddy, Chair, Frederick Mock, Vice Chair, Carleton Lanou, Clerk, James O'Connor, Robert Andrews and Richard Hall, did not make any borrowing recommendations for fiscal year 1999.

The CIPC recommended total expenditures for FY99 of \$463,312 with approximately \$242,302 coming from stabilization and the remainder coming from Chapter 11 (90), free cash, water fees and budget transfers.

The CIPC is currently at work developing a fiscal plan for capital expenditures for FY2000 as well as a fluid plan for fiscal years 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.

Respectfully submitted,


Pamela E. Oddy, Esquire

Board of Assessors

Town of Orange

6 Prospect Street, Orange MA 01364 Voice (978)544-1108 Fax (978)544-1120

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Board of Assessors submits the following report for Fiscal Year 1998.

EXPENDITURES

Appropriations	13,173,429.00
Total Local Expenditures	666,217.51
State & County Charges	122,417.50
Overlay	136,942.46
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	14,099,005.97

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS & AVAILABLE FUNDS

Estimated Receipts - State	6,521,954.00
Estimated Receipts - Local	1,884,843.00
Other Available Funds	744,971.56
Deferral of Teachers' Pay	418,940.81
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS:	9,570,709.37

AMOUNT TO BE RAISED FROM TAXES

Tax Rate = \$20.10 per thousand		
Real Estate Valuation	219,369,500.00	
Personal Property Valuation	5,918,888.00	
TOTAL VALUATION		225,288,388.00

Real Estate Property Tax	4,409,326.95	
Personal Property Tax	118,969.65	
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED ON PROPERTY		4,528,296.60

NUMBER OF PARCELS ASSESSED

Real Estate	3353
Personal Property	296

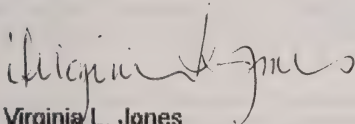
Respectfully Submitted,

Richard R. Hall, Chairman
Raymond R. Leonard
Norman E. Bartlett

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen: the report of the Treasurer for the Town of Orange for Fiscal Year 1998 is herewith submitted.

Cash on hand 7-1-97: General Fund	\$ 4,416,930.00
Total Receipts	19,341,313.00
Payments per warrants	(18,115,963.00)
Cash on hand 6-30-98	5,642,280.00
Tax Titles held 7-1-97	351,892.00
Tax Titles held 6-30-98	401,421.30

Respectfully submitted,



Virginia L. Jones
Treasurer



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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Residents of the Town of Orange:

The following 3 pages shows an accounting of the collections received by the Town Collector for FY98. I have continued to be aggressive in my efforts of collection. The amount of \$4,535,101.20 was billed for real estate and personal property for FY98 after the collection and abatement/refund process only \$289,704.76 was outstanding on June 30, 1998. I would like to **THANK** the Tax payers of Orange for their prompt payment of taxes, needless to say by paying on time it makes my job a lot easier.

Motor Vehicle Excise collections are coming in steady. The Registry of Motor Vehicles sends a new commitment to me about every two months, I print the bills and send them out with a due date of 30 days from the date of mailing. If the original bill goes unpaid I then send out a demand which adds a \$5.00 demand fee and interest to the original bill. The demand is due 14 days from the date of mailing. If the demand goes unpaid I then turn the bill over to my Deputy Collector: Jeffery & Jeffery, for collection. Needless to say Jeffery & Jeffery adds addition charges to the original bill, so a simple \$5.00 original excise bill could end up costing in the range of \$60.00, it is so **IMPORTANT** to pay these excise on time. If you trade or sell your vehicle throughout the year you can apply for an abatement in the Assessors Office for a paid excise bill.

It is my intention to educate the public as much as possible about the rules and regulations of taxes, if anyone has any questions concerning taxes please either come into the office or telephone at 978-544-1104. Office hours are **MONDAY-THURSDAY 8A.M.-1P.M. & 1:30 P.M.-4P.M., FRIDAY 8A.M.-1P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie J. Nutter
Collector

Report of Transactions for FY98 Departmentals:

DEPARTMENT	RECOMMENDED 7/1/97	COMMITTED after 7/1/97	PAID	ABATED	REFUNDED ADJUSTED	OUTSTANDING 6/1/98
POLICE		4863.00	4863.00			0
FIRE		4087.40	4087.40			0
PLUMBING						
ARMORY	1525.00	24465.00	25865.00			125.00
AIRPORT		19298.58	19298.58			0
AMBULANCE	146424.95	217771.00	134840.30	18827.40	4769.11	215297.36
CEMETERY	850.00	12050.00	9875.00			3035.00
SELECTMEN		23260.31	23260.31			0
GAS		796.00	796.00			0
BUILDING INS.		17064.50	17064.50			0
BD. OF HEALTH		36124.50	36124.50			0
SCHOOL	24.51	3293.91	3328.42			0
WTR./WTR. INT.	59361.82	460230.82	458727.21	3957.08	2346.87	59255.22
WATER S&L	1478.12	22180.83	23712.56	400.00	3900.29	3446.68
SWR./SWR. INT.	41203.25	245875.23	237908.47	4581.57	173.88	44762.32
SEWER S&L		13715.92	11077.65			2638.27
TOTAL	250867.65	1105077.00	1010818.90	27766.05	11190.15	328549.85

REPORT OF TRANSACTIONS FOR FY98: PERSONAL PROPERTY: PP
REAL ESTATE : RE

YEAR	TAX	RECOMMITTED 7/1/97	COMMITTED after 7/1/97	DEFERRED TAX TITLE	PAID	ABATED	REFUND ADJUST.	OUTSTANDING 6/30/98
1988	PP	125.10						125.10
1989	PP	1216.76						1216.76
1990	PP	1914.77						1914.77
1991	PP	5039.45						5039.45
1992	PP	1909.26						1909.26
1993	PP	2214.67			34.56			2180.11
1994	PP	1456.54			35.32			1421.22
1995	PP	1534.85			36.32			1498.53
1996	PP	1239.65			179.13			1060.52
1997	PP	2859.04	65.47		644.56			2279.85
1998	PP		120697.62		117674.02	472.80	431.10	2981.90
1987	RE	2252.47			1082.62			1473.36
1988	RE	542.98	303.51					542.98
1989	RE	2393.40			1000.26	1454.40		-61.26
1990	RE	10881.76			3375.74			7506.02
1991	RE	25737.90	833.35	2523.79	2228.12	1244.70		20574.64
1992	RE	14843.40		2684.26	5167.81	1474.25		5517.08
1993	RE	29789.93	210.00	2438.39	15624.75			11936.79
1994	RE	36481.36		15004.86	17449.63			4026.87
1995	RE	57549.50		18879.02	26171.05			12499.43
1996	RE	99908.45		18421.38	44051.96			37435.11
1997	RE	205472.60		21581.94	97916.44		325.03	86299.25
1998	RE		4414403.58	52211.92	4061814.51	81348.22	15482.01	234510.94
TOTAL		505363.84	4536513.53	131745.56	4394486.80	85994.37	15238.14	443888.78

REPORT OF TRANSACTIONS FOR FY98: FARM ANIMAL EXCISE: F.A.E.
 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE: M.V.E.
 FOREST PRODUCTS: F.P.

YEAR	TAX	RECOMMITTED 7/1/97	COMMITTED after 7/1/97	PAID	ABATE. RESCIND.	ABATE. ADJUST.	REFUNDS ADJUST.	OUTSTANDING 6/30/98
Prior 91	MVE			1197.99	1197.99			0
1991	MVE	5125.54		293.59				4831.95
1992	MVE	4582.99		379.68				4203.31
1993	MVE	4037.53		370.94			53.72	3720.31
1994	MVE	4188.13		708.66				3479.47
1995	MVE	5662.48		1296.17			11.58	4377.89
1996	MVE	9220.59	6443.76	10062.05		392.08	25.39	5235.61
1997	MVE	32577.20	56556.04	90544.94		9590.37	14436.59	3434.52
1998	MVE		336323.07	292046.07		18915.91	5355.24	30716.33
1990	FAE	222.45						222.45
1991	FAE	215.32						215.32
FOREST PROD.		1921.40	864.96	859.36				1927.00
TOTAL		67753.63	400187.83	397759.45	1197.99	28898.36	19882.52	62364.16

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

		<u>RECEIPTS</u>	
GENERAL FUND			
TAXES			
PERSONAL PROPERTY	\$	117,787.00	
REAL ESTATE	\$	4,271,322.00	
TAX LIENS REDEEMED	\$	120,303.00	
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	\$	386,586.00	
FARM ANIMAL EXCISE	\$	-	
CLASS.FOREST LAND EXCISE	\$	859.00	
INT. & COSTS, PROP.TAXES	\$	70,530.00	
INT. & COSTS M.V.E.	\$	26,562.00	
INT. & COSTS, TAX LIENS	\$	678.00	
INT. & COSTS, OTHER	\$	-	
PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAX	\$	3,126.00	
CH.61 ROLLOVER	\$	1,050.00	
			\$ 4,998,803.00
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
WATER RATES	\$	457,344.00	
WATER SERVICES	\$	23,363.00	
SEWER CHARGES	\$	248,893.00	
LANDFILL BAG STICKERS	\$	40,980.00	
LANDFILL HAULERS' FEES	\$	263,391.00	
DEMOLITION FEES	\$	10,476.00	
POLICE DEPT. FEES	\$	453.00	
POLICE DETAIL ADMIN.FEES	\$	3,689.00	
DOG ADOPTION FEES	\$	298.00	
DOG OWNER'S FEES	\$	691.00	
FIRE DEPT. FEES	\$	2,922.00	
TRAILER FEES	\$	22,992.00	
TOWN CLERK'S FEES	\$	5,639.00	
SEALER'S FEES	\$	908.00	
MUNICIPAL LIENS CERT.	\$	6,475.00	
DEVELOPMENT BD. FEES	\$	859.00	
COPIER FEES	\$	1,969.00	
CEMETERY FILING FEES	\$	320.00	
BD OF HEALTH INSP.FEES	\$	1,360.00	
ARMORY RENTALS	\$	25,865.00	
AIRPORT RENTALS	\$	19,299.00	
SCHOOL BLDG. RENTALS	\$	2,668.00	
MISC.SCHOOL FEES	\$	650.00	
AMBULANCE FEES	\$	130,085.00	
CEMETERY BURIALS	\$	9,875.00	
			\$ 1,281,464.00
LICENSES AND PERMITS			
ALCOHOLIC BEV.LICENSES	\$	19,920.00	
MARRIAGE LICENSES	\$	615.00	
RAFFLE LICENSES	\$	150.00	
GUN & PISTOL PERMITS	\$	4,410.00	
ELECTRICAL PERMITS	\$	9,170.00	

BUILDING PERMITS	\$	16,935.00	
GAS PERMITS	\$	776.00	
PLUMBING PERMITS	\$	5,554.00	
USED CAR LICENSES	\$	2,100.00	
AMUSEMENT LICENSES	\$	3,600.00	
MISC.LICENSES	\$	740.00	
SEPTIC/INSTALLERS PERMITS	\$	3,375.00	
FOOD SERVICE PERMITS	\$	2,620.00	
TRASH HAULERS' PERMITS	\$	250.00	
MOBILE HOME PARK PERMITS	\$	140.00	
MISC.BD.OF HEALTH PERMITS	\$	5,307.00	
	\$		72,562.00
REVENUES FROM THE STATE-CHERRY SHEET			
STATE-OWNED LAND	\$	9,009.00	
EXEMPTIONS-ELDERLY,ETC	\$	41,111.00	
POLICE CAREER INCENTIVE	\$	8,623.00	
VETERANS' BENEFITS	\$	84,338.00	
ADDL.ASSISTANCE	\$	2,661.00	
LOTTERY	\$	1,152,627.00	
HIGHWAY FUND	\$	116,699.00	
CH.70-SCHOOLS	\$	4,615,352.00	
CH.71-PUPIL TRANSP.	\$	43,703.00	
TUITION STATE WARDS	\$	18,185.00	
SCHOOL BLDG.ASSISTANCE	\$	365,455.00	
	\$		6,457,763.00
OTHER REVENUES FROM THE STATE			
CIVIL DEFENSE	\$	750.00	
REGISTRY FINES	\$	38,525.00	
EXCESS '97 LOTTERY	\$	90,611.00	
EDUCATION RESERVE	\$	60,000.00	
	\$		189,886.00
REVENUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS			
COURT FINES	\$	4,535.00	
DOG EXPENSE,COUNTY	\$	489.00	
	\$		5,024.00
FINES			
PARKING FINES	\$	786.00	
LIBRARY FINES & CARDS	\$	2,444.00	
DOG OFFICER'S FINES	\$	65.00	
LATE DOG LICENSING FINES	\$	1,260.00	
SNOW REMOVAL FINES	\$	25.00	
BAD CHECK FINES	\$	1,295.00	
COURT COSTS	\$	304.00	
	\$		6,179.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE			
AIRPORT SALE OF AV.GAS	\$	45,259.00	
SALE OF STREET LISTS	\$	23.00	
SALE ZONING BY-LAWS	\$	168.00	
SALE RECYCLABLES	\$	35,700.00	
SALE OF EQUIPMENT	\$	5,815.00	
MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENTS	\$	31,930.00	
COMMISSION PUBLIC TEL.	\$	212.00	

INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	\$	111,901.00	
OLD COURT RESTITUTION	\$	764.00	
COPYING FEES	\$	475.00	
OLD WORKERS' COMP. REF.	\$	2,639.00	
PREMIUM ON BONDS	\$	457.00	
FRTA OVERHEAD	\$	1,600.00	
REFUND-WATER DEPT INS.	\$	15,123.00	
REFUND-SMALL CITIES INS.	\$	10,249.00	
REFUNDS PRIOR YEAR	\$	236.00	
	\$		262,551.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE	\$		13,274,232.00
<u>SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</u>			
SCHOOL LUNCHROOM			
PURCHASES	\$	93,422.00	
*FEDERAL AID	\$	174,341.00	
STATE AID	\$	8,848.00	
	\$		276,611.00
STATE HIGHWAY GT.-CH.90 REIMB.	\$		363,752.00
WETLANDS PROTECTION FUND	\$		286.00
D.A.R.E. PROGRAM GRANT	\$		13,513.00
D.A.R.E. PROGRAM DONATIONS	\$		9,115.00
POLICE CADET DONATIONS	\$		1,010.00
COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT	\$		42,125.00
*COPS MORE GRANT	\$		39,301.00
*COPS UNIVERSAL GRANT	\$		26,497.00
FIRE DEPT. SAFE GRANT	\$		4,442.00
LANDFILL CLOSURE ACCT-WINDSHIELD STICKERS	\$		7,620.00
COUNCIL ON AGING FORMULA GRANT	\$		4,561.00
OFFICE OF ELDER AFFAIRS GT.	\$		1,260.00
LIBRARY INCENTIVE GRANT	\$		3,771.00
NON-RES.CIRC.OFFSET AWARD-LIBRARY	\$		420.00
LIBRARY MUN.EQUAL GRANT	\$		5,311.00
WPAT SEPTIC LOAN PROGRAM	\$		50,000.00
WATER POLLUTION ABT.TST.GT	\$		2,000.00
*AIRPORT MASTER PLAN GT.	\$		32,481.00
SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS	\$		16,515.00
ARTS CULTURAL COUNCIL GT	\$		7,407.00
ARTS COUNCIL MISC.RECEIPTS	\$		815.00
SKATEPARK DONATIONS	\$		200.00
PEACE STATUE DONATIONS	\$		7,787.00
MEMORIAL PARK GRANT	\$		17,941.00
PEACE STATUE GRANT	\$		6,506.00
ARMORY GIFTS	\$		3,525.00
LIBRARY GIFTS	\$		232.00
WAL-MART GIFT-SEWER PROJECT	\$		110,000.00
INSURANCE REIMB-REV.FD	\$		7,106.00
HAZ MATERIALS REV.FD	\$		1,319.00
PLAYGROUND REV.FD	\$		212.00

FRANK.REG.TRANSP.AUTH.-CHARGES	\$	3,473.00
FRANK.REG.TRANSP.AUTH-SUPPORT	\$	18,396.00

SCHOOL DEPT.

*TITLE 1	\$	183,961.00	
*PROJECT FOCUS	\$	89,207.00	
*BLOCK GRANT	\$	5,354.00	
*EARLY CHILD SPEC. ED.	\$	13,720.00	
*DRUG-FREE SCHOOLS GT	\$	10,213.00	
NELCWIT GRANT	\$	6,900.00	
COMMUNITY PART.GRANT	\$	89,396.00	
HEALTH CURRICULUM GT	\$	19,616.00	
PROJECT ZERO GT	\$	22,500.00	
PALMS GRANT	\$	2,320.00	
DEPT.PUBLIC HEALTH GT	\$	24,274.00	
*GOALS 2000 GRANT	\$	13,683.00	
COLL. FOR CHILDREN	\$	100,003.00	
REMEDIAL SKILLS GRANT	\$	10,000.00	
GIFTED & TALENTED GRANT	\$	7,500.00	
LINKED SERVICES GRANT	\$	6,795.00	
SUMMER FEEDING PROGRAM	\$	28,885.00	
VALUING OUR CHILDREN	\$	5,200.00	
DEXTER PARK HEATING SYS		200,000.00	
SPED SUPPORTING ACC.GT	\$	3,954.00	
			\$ 843,481.00
COMM.PART.REV.FUND			\$ 23,054.00

*SMALL CITIES/COMM.DEV.GRANTS	\$	1,527,653.00	
SMALL CITIES LOANS FUNDS	\$	5,035.00	
SMALL CITIES INTEREST	\$	1,641.00	
SMALL CITIES LOCAL EC.DEV.	\$	6,407.00	
			\$ 1,540,736.00

TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE	\$	3,492,781.00
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TRUST FUND

EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS			
CONSERVATION TST FD-INT	\$	327.00	
STABILIZATION FD-INTEREST	\$	19,267.00	
HEALTH CLAIMS TST FD-INT	\$	30,504.00	
HEALTH CLAIMS TST FD- ADD	\$	173,549.00	
MUNICIPAL BLDG INS FD-INT	\$	218.00	
LAW ENFORCE.TST FD-ADD	\$	700.00	
LAW ENFORCE TST FD-INT	\$	118.00	
LOCAL LAW ENF.BLOCK GT.	\$	21,462.00	
LOCAL LAW ENF.BL.GT-INT	\$	132.00	
VILLAGE SCHOOL-INTEREST	\$	867.00	
ARTS COUNCIL FD-INTEREST	\$	329.00	
			\$ 247,473.00
NON-EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS			

CEM.PERPETUAL CARE INT	\$	10,096.00	
LIBRARY TST FDS-ADD	\$	39,255.00	
LIBRARY TST FDS-INTEREST	\$	22,310.00	
CEMETERY TRUST FD-ADD.	\$	3,333.00	
MISC.TRUST FDS-INTEREST	\$	5,332.00	
	\$		80,326.00
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	\$		327,799.00
<u>AGENCY FUND</u>			
SALE OF LICENSES FOR COUNTY	\$	2,607.00	
POLICE OUTSIDE DETAILS	\$	53,637.00	
FIRE DEPT. OUTSIDE DETAILS	\$	166.00	
BID DEPOSITS	\$	15.00	
CABLE COMMISSION	\$	46,001.00	
RECEIVERSHIP	\$	62,834.00	
PAYROLL WITHHOLDINGS	\$	174,582.00	
TOTAL AGENCY FUND REVENUE	\$		339,845.00
<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</u>			
BOND PROCEEDS	\$	628,000.00	
TEMP. LOAN-BOND ANTC. NOTES	\$	1,287,869.00	
NET ADJUSTMENT FOR ACCRUAL	\$	(9,213.00)	
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$		1,906,656.00
RECAPITULATION			
CASH ON HAND, JULY 1, 1997	\$		4,416,930.00
RECEIPTS:			
GENERAL FUND	\$	13,274,232.00	
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$	3,492,781.00	
TRUST FUNDS	\$	327,799.00	
AGENCY FUNDS	\$	339,845.00	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$	1,906,656.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$		19,341,313.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS AND CASH ON HAND	\$		23,758,243.00

*Revenue from Federal Government

PAYMENTS
GENERAL FUND - GENERAL GOVERNMENT

MODERATOR'S SALARY		\$	100.00
SELECTMEN'S DEPT.			
SELECTMEN'S SALARIES	\$	5,000.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	309.00	
NOTICES	\$	2,005.00	
MEETINGS	\$	91.00	
OUTSIDE SERVICES	\$	238.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	696.00	
TRAVEL	\$	85.00	
DUES	\$	1,109.00	
		\$	9,533.00
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR			
SALARY	\$	36,050.00	
ADMIN.COOR.WAGES	\$	17,483.00	
MEETINGS	\$	462.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	474.00	
ADV. SUBS., ETC	\$	765.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	1,033.00	
DUES	\$	56.00	
TRAVEL	\$	48.00	
		\$	56,371.00
FINANCE COMMITTEE			
MEETINGS	\$	140.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	20.00	
TRAVEL	\$	52.00	
DUES	\$	135.00	
		\$	347.00
TOWN ACCOUNTANT			
SALARY	\$	35,000.00	
LONGEVITY	\$	200.00	
REPAIR & MAINT EQUIP	\$	45.00	
TUITION, MEETINGS, TR	\$	395.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	296.00	
SOFTWARE LIC & MAIN	\$	1,700.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	381.00	
TRAVEL	\$	93.00	
DUES	\$	40.00	
EQUIPMENT	\$	1,449.00	
		\$	39,599.00
AUDIT OF TOWN ACCOUNTS		\$	7,474.00
ASSESSORS			
SALARIES	\$	5,000.00	
ASST. ASSES. WAGES	\$	16,052.00	
PART-TIME WAGES	\$	230.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	386.00	
DEEDS, ADV., NUMB.	\$	586.00	
REVALUATION	\$	138.00	
EQUIP. MAINT.	\$	238.00	
SOFTWARE MAINT.	\$	1,800.00	

OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$	965.00		
SCHOOL/MEETINGS	\$	808.00		
DUES	\$	290.00		
EQUIPMENT	\$	117.00		
			\$	26,610.00
REVALUATION			\$	7,579.00
TREASURER				
SALARY	\$	28,000.00		
CLERK'S WAGES	\$	454.00		
FORECLOSURE EXP	\$	18,149.00		
EQUIP.MAINT	\$	58.00		
TELEPHONE	\$	463.00		
OUTSIDE SERVICES	\$	2,005.00		
MEETINGS/TRAVEL	\$	608.00		
SOFTWARE MAINT	\$	1,200.00		
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$	1,778.00		
DUES	\$	35.00		
BOND	\$	567.00		
EQUIPMENT	\$	117.00		
			\$	53,434.00
COLLECTOR				
SALARY	\$	25,000.00		
CLERK'S WAGES	\$	4,156.00		
EQUIP.MAINT.	\$	192.00		
COURT COSTS	\$	450.00		
OTHER SERVICES	\$	1,618.00		
TELEPHONE	\$	454.00		
ADVER & PUBL.	\$	510.00		
SOFTWARE LIC & MAIN	\$	2,375.00		
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$	3,149.00		
MEETINGS/TRAVEL	\$	617.00		
DUES	\$	35.00		
BOND	\$	520.00		
			\$	39,076.00
PERSONNEL BOARD EXPENSE			\$	154.00
TOWN COUNSEL			\$	14,363.00
GENERAL OFFICE				
COPIER MAINT.	\$	3,736.00		
POSTAGE METER	\$	1,800.00		
POSTAGE	\$	11,528.00		
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$	1,875.00		
			\$	18,939.00
TOWN CLERK				
SALARY	\$	25,000.00		
TUITION/MEETINGS	\$	555.00		
TELEPHONE	\$	252.00		
SOFTWARE LIC & MAIN	\$	400.00		
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$	437.00		
TRAVEL	\$	127.00		
DUES	\$	45.00		
BOND	\$	50.00		
			\$	26,866.00

ELECTION & REGISTRATION			
SALARIES REGISTRAR:	\$	650.00	
WAGES ELEC.OFFICER	\$	557.00	
PRINTING COSTS	\$	3,651.00	
POSTAGE	\$	1,005.00	
ELECTION SUPPLIES	\$	85.00	
			\$ 5,948.00
TABULATING MACHINES			\$ 12,000.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION			
MEETINGS/SEMINARS	\$	270.00	
POSTAGE,ADV.,SUPPLI	\$	481.00	
DUES	\$	55.00	
			\$ 806.00
PLANNING BOARD EXP			
ADV./PRINTING	\$	626.00	
TRAINING,OTHER	\$	99.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	162.00	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$	500.00	
POSTAGE	\$	100.00	
DUES	\$	-	
			\$ 1,487.00
ZONING BOARD EXPENSE			\$ 84.00
TOWN HALL MAINT			
ELECTRICITY	\$	2,238.00	
FUEL OIL	\$	5,243.00	
REPAIRS & MAINT	\$	2,729.00	
WATER & SEWER	\$	247.00	
CUSTODIAL SERVICE	\$	4,794.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	511.00	
			\$ 15,762.00
TOWN HALL ROOF REPAIRS			\$ 22,404.00
ARMORY MAINTENANCE			
CUSTODIAN	\$	5,463.00	
ELECTRICITY	\$	4,878.00	
FUEL OIL	\$	5,103.00	
WATER & SEWER	\$	648.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	292.00	
SNOW REMOVAL	\$	1,400.00	
BOTTLED GAS	\$	900.00	
REPAIRS & MAINT	\$	6,643.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	727.00	
			\$ 26,054.00
ARMORY FLOOR			\$ 7,900.00
TOWN REPORTS			\$ 1,736.00
PURCHASE OF USED EQUIPMENT			\$ 17,444.00
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT			\$ 412,070.00

GENERAL FUND - PUBLIC SAFETY

POLICE SALARIES & WAGES	\$	509,023.00
POLICE DEPT EXPENSE		

ELECTRICITY	\$	4,914.00	
FUEL OIL	\$	585.00	
WATER	\$	237.00	
REP & MAINT.	\$	8,548.00	
IDENTIKIT & CJIS	\$	1,708.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	3,304.00	
OTHER SERVICES	\$	6,353.00	
TUITION, MEETINGS	\$	1,358.00	
POSTAGE, ADVERT	\$	404.00	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$	4,132.00	
CUST. & BLDG SUPPLIE	\$	628.00	
PRISONER COSTS	\$	813.00	
OTHER SUPPLIES	\$	1,257.00	
UNIFORMS	\$	5,229.00	
TRAVEL	\$	236.00	
EQUIPMENT	\$	623.00	
DUES	\$	575.00	
			\$ 40,904.00
POLICE CAR EXPENSE			
REPAIRS & MAINT	\$	4,153.00	
OIL & GREASE	\$	630.00	
GASOLINE	\$	8,531.00	
TIRES & VEHICLE SUPP	\$	1,290.00	
CRUISER EQUIP.	\$	559.00	
			\$ 15,163.00
NEW CRUISERS			\$ 54,599.00
FIRE DEPT. SALARIES & WAGES			\$ 233,338.00
FIRE DEPT. EXPENSE			
ELECTRICITY	\$	3,320.00	
FUEL OIL	\$	2,125.00	
REPAIRS & MAINT	\$	30,050.00	
WATER & SEWER	\$	333.00	
TRAINING, MEETINGS	\$	1,489.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	2,601.00	
POSTAGE	\$	24.00	
HEPATITIS SHOTS	\$	589.00	
LAUNDRY	\$	388.00	
SUPPLIES-OFFICE	\$	1,995.00	
TRAVEL	\$	20.00	
GAS, TIRES, VEHICLE SL	\$	2,854.00	
CLOTHING & UNIFORMS	\$	2,207.00	
DUES	\$	850.00	
EQUIPMENT	\$	12,717.00	
			\$ 61,562.00
FIRE ALARM MAINT.			
SUPT. SALARY	\$	2,440.00	
WAGES	\$	434.00	
RENTAL EQUIP.	\$	3,000.00	
TRAINING	\$	287.00	
SUPPLIES & MATERIAL	\$	3,767.00	
DUES	\$	50.00	
EQUIP.	\$	112.00	

		\$	10,090.00
PHONE LINE RECORDER		\$	7,340.00
EQUIPPING FIRE DEPT. VEHICLE		\$	1,068.00
FOREST FIRE DEPT			
WARDEN'S SALARY	\$	680.00	
WAGES	\$	1,119.00	
REPAIRS & SUPPLIES	\$	3,357.00	
		\$	5,156.00
AMBULANCE			
DRIVERS' WAGES	\$	33,968.00	
SECRETARY'S WAGES	\$	8,795.00	
EMT ON-CALL PAY	\$	16,307.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	394.00	
REPAIRS & MAINT.	\$	5,624.00	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$	703.00	
GAS, VEHICLE SUPPLIE	\$	4,682.00	
MED. SUPPLIES, OXYGE	\$	14,060.00	
DUES	\$	800.00	
TRAINING, OTHER SERV	\$	2,580.00	
		\$	85,973.00
BUILDING INSPECTOR			
SALARY	\$	36,050.00	
TRAVEL	\$	2,500.00	
TUITION/MEETINGS	\$	412.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	411.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	720.00	
DEMO., SECURING	\$	5,545.00	
		\$	45,638.00
ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR			
SALARY	\$	10,322.00	
TRAVEL ALLOW.	\$	830.00	
		\$	11,152.00
GAS-FITTING INSP-WAGES BASED ON FEES		\$	592.00
PLUMB. INSP-WAGES BASED ON FEES		\$	4,864.00
SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES			
SALARY	\$	500.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	20.00	
TRAVEL REIMB.	\$	47.00	
		\$	567.00
ANIMAL INSPECTOR		\$	500.00
DOG CONTROL COSTS			
DOG OFFICER SALARY	\$	5,000.00	
PICK-UP FEES	\$	320.00	
DESTROYING DOGS	\$	388.00	
BOARD	\$	1,093.00	
SHOTS	\$	211.00	
SUPPLIES & EQUIP	\$	435.00	
		\$	7,447.00
TREE WARDEN DEPT			
WARDEN SALARY	\$	83.00	
WAGES	\$	1,882.00	
OUTSIDE SERVICES	\$	5,185.00	

SUPPLIES	\$	626.00		
			\$	7,776.00
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY			\$	1,102,752.00

GENERAL FUND - EDUCATION

SCHOOL DEPT-ADMINISTRATION

SCHOOL COMMITTEE	\$	4,015.00		
SUPT.OFF.SAL & WAGE	\$	153,891.00		
SUPPLIES	\$	14,714.00		
TRAVEL	\$	1,500.00		
DUES	\$	1,229.00		
ADMIN.TECH.-SUPPLIES	\$	2,486.00		
OTHER	\$	409.00		
			\$	178,244.00

SCHOOL DEPT-INSTRUCTION

PRIN.OFF-SALARIES	\$	217,076.00		
INST.SALARIES	\$	2,085,705.00		
AIDES' SAL & WAGES	\$	84,020.00		
LEASE COPIERS	\$	2,548.00		
FIELD TRIPS	\$	6,889.00		
THERAPISTS & CONS.	\$	15,988.00		
LIBRARY SALARIES	\$	57,713.00		
SUPPLIES	\$	274,065.00		
PRIN.OFF.SUPPLIES	\$	4,998.00		
LIB.SUPP. & SERVICES	\$	26,217.00		
TEXTBOOKS	\$	10,099.00		
TRAVEL	\$	2,285.00		
A/V PROGRAM	\$	507.00		
SPED SALARIES	\$	678,822.00		
SPED AIDES WAGES	\$	150,138.00		
SPED THER. & CONS.	\$	32,016.00		
SPED WORKSHOPS	\$	2,434.00		
SPED PSYCH SERV	\$	2,747.00		
SPED SUPPLIES	\$	14,635.00		
SPED TRAVEL	\$	602.00		
			\$	3,669,504.00

OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES

NURSE & PHYS. SAL	\$	71,115.00		
CROSS.GD.WAGES	\$	2,732.00		
CAFÉ.MGR & AIDES	\$	35,056.00		
HEALTH SUPP.,TRAVEL	\$	5,046.00		
PUPIL TRANSPORTATIC	\$	238,758.00		
CAFETERIA EQUIP	\$	4,666.00		
			\$	355,373.00

SCHOOLS-OPERATION

SALARIES & WAGES	\$	150,119.00		
RUBBISH REMOVAL	\$	6,195.00		
FUEL OIL	\$	37,402.00		
ELECTRICITY	\$	69,034.00		
WATER & SEWER	\$	9,284.00		
TELEPHONE	\$	7,260.00		
REP & MAINT.	\$	111,658.00		

CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	\$	17,934.00		
TECHNOLOGY	\$	10,936.00		
			\$	419,822.00
SCHOOLS-FIXED CHARGES			\$	6,496.00
PROGRAMS WITH OTHER DISTRICTS			\$	111,866.00
TOTAL-ORANGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS			\$	4,741,305.00
SCHOOL-INSURANCE PMT			\$	405.00
R.C. MAHAR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSMT.			\$	2,281,303.00
R.C. MAHAR DEFERRAL			\$	8,998.00
FRANK.CTY.TECH.SCHOOL ASSESSMENT			\$	532,819.00
TOTAL-EDUCATION			\$	7,564,830.00

GENERAL FUND-PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES

HIGHWAY SUPT.SALARY(FROM APPROP.)			\$	29,787.00
HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION				
SALARIES & WAGES	\$	9,522.00		
ELECTRICITY	\$	3,378.00		
FUEL OIL	\$	3,248.00		
TELEPHONE	\$	1,426.00		
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$	1,083.00		
GARAGE MAINT.	\$	3,247.00		
OTHER SERVICES	\$	774.00		
WATER & SEWER	\$	327.00		
MEETINGS, TRAINING	\$	597.00		
CLOTHING	\$	1,780.00		
DUES	\$	50.00		
			\$	25,432.00
HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE				
WAGES	\$	85,714.00		
OUTSIDE SERVICES	\$	32,180.00		
ROAD COMPOUNDS	\$	8,818.00		
GAS & DIESEL	\$	14,299.00		
TIRES, TUBES, RECAPS	\$	5,780.00		
SAND, GRAVEL, CULVEF	\$	1,493.00		
PARTS, TOOLS, SUPPLIE	\$	43,769.00		
RENT OF EQUIP	\$	1,209.00		
			\$	193,262.00
SNOW & ICE				
WAGES	\$	35,684.00		
OUTSIDE SERVICES	\$	4,191.00		
SUPPLIES	\$	7,191.00		
SALT & SAND	\$	39,574.00		
EQUIPMENT	\$	1,045.00		
			\$	87,685.00
STREET LIGHTS				
ELECTRICITY	\$	19,825.00		
REPAIRS & MAINT.	\$	2,829.00		
			\$	22,654.00
COST REL.TO CONTAMINATION			\$	11,847.00
HIGHWAY BLDG. REPAIRS			\$	15,794.00

STREET SIGNS		\$	2,424.00
HIGHWAY TRUCK CHASSIS		\$	45,854.00
FRANK.CTY.SOLID WASTE DIST.ASSMT.		\$	7,215.00
SANITATION			
SALARIES & WAGES	\$	82,817.00	
ELECTRICITY	\$	3,791.00	
WATER	\$	401.00	
ADVER. & PUBL.	\$	1,144.00	
SCALE MAINT.CONT.	\$	2,477.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	473.00	
CONTAINER TRANSP.	\$	9,788.00	
HAULING TRANS.TRAIL.	\$	229,005.00	
HAZ.MAT.REMOVAL	\$	860.00	
GAS & VEHICLE SUPP.	\$	3,755.00	
STICKERS & BAGS	\$	6,148.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	3,287.00	
SHIPPING,SERVICES	\$	4,458.00	
CLOTHING	\$	848.00	
TRAVEL	\$	235.00	
REP & MAINT SERVICE:	\$	8,373.00	
		\$	355,858.00
SEWER DEPT			
WAGES	\$	36,589.00	
SUPPLIES & TOOLS	\$	1,863.00	
OUTSIDE SERVICES	\$	14,474.00	
METER READING	\$	4,030.00	
		\$	56,956.00
WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT			
SALARIES & WAGES	\$	94,119.00	
LONGEVITY	\$	650.00	
ELECTRICITY	\$	27,967.00	
FUEL OIL	\$	4,276.00	
REPAIRS & MAINT	\$	321.00	
WATER	\$	609.00	
LAB	\$	6,673.00	
SLUDGE REMOVAL	\$	26,799.00	
TELEPHONE & ALARM	\$	942.00	
SHIPPING,DEP,RENTAL	\$	498.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	13,345.00	
CHEMICALS	\$	533.00	
MEETINGS,TRAVEL	\$	35.00	
CLOTHING	\$	648.00	
		\$	177,415.00
WWTP TRUCK		\$	26,617.00
WATER COMMISSIONERS' SALARIES		\$	900.00
WATER DEPT. SALARIES & WAGES		\$	127,087.00
WATER DEPT. EXPENSE			
ELECTRICITY	\$	56,405.00	
FUEL OIL	\$	2,439.00	
REPAIRS & MAINT	\$	13,405.00	
ENGINEERING	\$	8,952.00	
LAB	\$	4,813.00	

MEETING, TRAINING	\$	889.00	
TELEPHONE & MONITORING	\$	2,822.00	
OTHER SERVICES	\$	2,208.00	
TOOLS, SUPPLIES	\$	3,049.00	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$	2,031.00	
CHEMICALS	\$	11,778.00	
ROAD COMPOUNDS	\$	4,890.00	
GAS & VEHICLE SUPP.	\$	2,413.00	
INSURANCE	\$	17,063.00	
DUES	\$	205.00	
CLOTHING	\$	1,000.00	
TRAVEL	\$	294.00	
D.E.P. ASSMT	\$	1,910.00	
			\$ 136,566.00
WATER DEPT. EQUIPMENT			
METERS	\$	6,076.00	
HYDRANTS	\$	5,605.00	
PIPE & FITTINGS	\$	11,454.00	
			\$ 23,135.00
TULLY WATER EXPENSE			\$ 7,712.00
WATER DEPT. DUMP TRUCK			\$ 29,881.00
WATER PIPELINE-RIVER CROSSING			\$ 22,480.00
AIRPORT ADMINISTRATION			
MEETINGS, TRAVEL	\$	275.00	
POSTAGE, PRINTING	\$	64.00	
OTHER SERVICES	\$	402.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	225.00	
CLOTHING	\$	299.00	
TAXES, ATHOL	\$	503.00	
DUES	\$	85.00	
			\$ 1,853.00
AIRPORT BUILDING & EQUIPMENT			
ELECTRICITY	\$	1,477.00	
FUEL OIL	\$	920.00	
WATER	\$	318.00	
REPAIRS & MAINT.	\$	3,361.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	811.00	
GAS & SUPPLIES	\$	914.00	
			\$ 7,801.00
AIRPORT MAINTENANCE			
ELEC-RUNWAYS	\$	1,200.00	
REPAIRS & MAINT.	\$	674.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	742.00	
			\$ 2,616.00
AIRPORT MANAGER SALARY			\$ 25,000.00
AIRPORT GASOLINE SALES			
WAGES	\$	10,324.00	
GASOLINE	\$	32,302.00	
OIL	\$	316.00	
REPAIRS & MAINT.	\$	173.00	
PMTS TO GOVT.	\$	622.00	
ELEC. FUEL PUMP	\$	117.00	

AIRPORT MASTER PLAN	\$	43,854.00	
CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS' SALARIES	\$	133.00	
CEMETERY DEPT.	\$	600.00	
SALARIES & WAGES	\$	75,523.00	
LONGEVITY	\$	300.00	
ELECTRICITY	\$	241.00	
WATER	\$	64.00	
FUEL	\$	673.00	
REPAIRS & MAINT	\$	2,135.00	
GAS & VEHICLE SUPP.	\$	796.00	
OTHER SUPPLIES	\$	1,380.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	283.00	
CLOTHING	\$	197.00	
EQUIPMENT	\$	1,367.00	
OTHER SERVICES	\$	468.00	
FURNACE	\$	3,289.00	
	\$	86,716.00	
TOTAL-PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES		\$	1,575,134.00
<u>GENERAL FUND - HUMAN SERVICES</u>			
BOARD OF HEALTH SALARIES	\$	200.00	
BOARD OF HEALTH EXPENSE			
SALARY SANIT.AGENT	\$	14,000.00	
CLERK-WAGES	\$	7,667.00	
TRAVEL ALLOW.	\$	450.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	432.00	
COMMUNITY HEALTH	\$	5,020.00	
OTHER SERVICES	\$	1,004.00	
DUES	\$	125.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	588.00	
	\$	29,286.00	
COUNCIL ON AGING			
WAGES	\$	10,326.00	
CUSTODIAN SERVICE	\$	500.00	
SUPPLIES	\$	343.00	
TELEPHONE	\$	265.00	
	\$	11,434.00	
VETERANS' SERVICES DISTRICT ADMIN.	\$	15,335.00	
VETERANS' BENEFITS	\$	83,853.00	
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES		\$	140,108.00
<u>GENERAL FUND-CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>			
LIBRARY DEPT.			
SALARIES & WAGES	\$	108,581.00	
LONGEVITY	\$	400.00	
ELECTRICITY	\$	2,263.00	
FUEL OIL	\$	1,814.00	
WATER & SEWER	\$	322.00	
REPAIRS & MAINT	\$	11,178.00	

TUITION/MEETINGS	\$	128.00		
TELEPHONE	\$	1,574.00		
SUPPLIES & POSTAGE	\$	4,359.00		
OTHER SERVICES	\$	3,749.00		
BOOKS & PERIODICALS	\$	23,495.00		
TRAVEL	\$	433.00		
EQUIPMENT	\$	1,994.00		
DUES	\$	400.00		
			\$	160,690.00
LIBRARY PARKING LOT			\$	4,287.00
PARKS				
WAGES	\$	5,243.00		
LIFEGUARD WAGES	\$	3,585.00		
ELECTRICITY	\$	471.00		
RENTAL PORT. TOILETS	\$	935.00		
REPAIRS & MAINT	\$	519.00		
SUPPLIES	\$	446.00		
			\$	11,199.00
PEACE STATUE RESTORATION			\$	8,720.00
MEMORIAL PARK			\$	12,303.00
HISTORICAL COMMISSION			\$	234.00
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION			\$	197,433.00

GENERAL FUND - DEBT SERVICE

LONG-TERM DEBT

WATER REHAB. PROJ.	\$	25,000.00		
AIRPARK IND. PARK	\$	18,700.00		
LANDFILL PROJECTS	\$	56,360.00		
TRANS. STA. & TRAILERS	\$	20,000.00		
FRONT-END LOADER	\$	13,800.00		
NEW SCHOOL	\$	283,160.00		
CRUISER, FIRE AL, ETC.	\$	38,510.00		
			\$	455,530.00

LONG-TERM INTEREST

WATER REHAB. PROJ.	\$	3,662.00		
AIRPARK IND. PARK	\$	10,267.00		
LANDFILL PROJECTS	\$	4,974.00		
FRONT-END LOADER	\$	993.00		
TRANS. STA. & TRAILERS	\$	3,939.00		
NEW SCHOOL	\$	223,087.00		
CRUISER, FIRE AL, ETC.	\$	9,368.00		
WWTP TRUCK	\$	371.00		
WATER PIPE	\$	5,300.00		
FIRE TRUCK	\$	2,650.00		
			\$	264,611.00

SHORT-TERM INTEREST, TEMP. LOANS	\$	49,745.00		
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TOTAL DEBT SERVICE			\$	769,886.00
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GENERAL FUND - INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICES

STATE ASSESSMENTS AND CHARGES	\$	94,478.00		
COUNTY TAX	\$	32,641.00		

TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICES	\$	127,119.00
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GENERAL FUND - INSURANCE AND MISC.

GENERAL TOWN INSURANCE			
FIRE & LIABILITY	\$	44,719.00	
VEHICLE INSURANCE	\$	35,451.00	
POLICE DEPT.ACC.	\$	2,964.00	
FIRE DEPT ACC.	\$	4,666.00	
PUBLIC OFFICIALS	\$	9,363.00	
AIRPORT LIAB.	\$	6,250.00	
EQUIPMENT INS.	\$	76.00	
	\$		103,489.00
RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT	\$		195,624.00
WORKERS' COMPENSATION INS	\$		26,447.00
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$		1,638.00
MEDICARE TAX APPROP.	\$		51,640.00
LIFE INSURANCE-TOWN SHARE	\$		1,614.00
TOTAL INSURANCE & MISCELLANEOUS	\$		380,452.00

GENERAL FUND - OTHER FINANCING USES

TEMPORARY LOANS - BOND ANTICIPATION	\$	480,330.00
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SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

SCHOOL LUNCHROOM			
SALARIES & WAGES	\$	91,468.00	
EXPENSES	\$	184,239.00	
	\$		275,707.00
HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS			
CH.90-WAGES	\$	63,580.00	
CH.90-EXPENSE	\$	332,481.00	
	\$		396,061.00
RECYCLING REVOLVING FUND	\$	4,732.00	
HAZ.MAT.REVOLVING FUND	\$	210.00	
FRANK.REG.TRANS.AUTH.REV.FD	\$	23,173.00	
COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT	\$	12,191.00	
COPS UNIVERSAL GRANT	\$	25,000.00	
DISPATCH COPS MORE GT.	\$	23,337.00	
COPS MORE GRANT	\$	30,983.00	
D.A.R.E.	\$	14,510.00	
POLICE CADETS DONATIONS	\$	457.00	
S.A.F.E.GRANT	\$	4,440.00	
TOWN HALL PAINTING GIFTS	\$	42.00	
INSURANCE REIMB.	\$	380.00	
AMBULANCE GIFTS	\$	1,550.00	
WAL-MART GIFT,SEWER PROJ.	\$	104,441.00	
ARMORY GIFTS	\$	3,525.00	
COUNCIL ON AGING FORM.GT.	\$	5,187.00	
AIRPORT MASTER PLAN-FAA	\$	32,481.00	
AIRPORT MASTER PLAN-MAC	\$	310.00	
STATUE DONATIONS	\$	585.00	
STATUE GRANT-MMC	\$	2,018.00	

MEMORIAL PARK GRANT	\$	17,941.00
WPAT SEPTIC LOAN PROGRAM	\$	4,448.00
WPAT GRANT	\$	6,243.00
LIBRARY GRANTS	\$	17,098.00
LIBRARY GIFTS	\$	382.00
ARTS COUNCIL GRANT	\$	8,313.00
ARTS COUNCIL DONATIONS	\$	802.00

TOTAL DEPT. GRANTS	\$	344,779.00
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EDUCATION GRANTS

TITLE 1	\$	154,625.00
PROJECT FOCUS	\$	84,510.00
BLOCK GRANT	\$	5,581.00
DRUG-FREE SCHOOLS	\$	8,153.00
REMEDIAL SKILLS	\$	10,000.00
COLLABORATION FOR CHILDREN	\$	100,003.00
SUMMER FEEDING PROGRAM	\$	25,593.00
HEALTH CURRICULUM	\$	19,616.00
SUPP. ACCESS	\$	3,954.00
GIFTED & TALENTED	\$	7,800.00
DEPT. PUBLIC HEALTH	\$	10,986.00
PROJECT ZERO	\$	22,500.00
EARLY CHILD. SPEC. ED	\$	13,720.00
COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP	\$	75,074.00
EISENHOWER GRANTS	\$	14,044.00
VALUING OUR CHILDREN	\$	2,000.00
PALMS GRANT	\$	2,320.00
NELCWIT GRANT	\$	5,448.00
BUTTERFIELD ACTIVITY FUND	\$	332.00
DEXTER PK HEATING SYSTEM	\$	42,745.00
COMM. COALITION	\$	10,000.00
BIG BROTHER/SISTER GT.	\$	15,557.00

\$	634,561.00
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SMALL CITIES-COMM. DEV.

SALARIES & WAGES	\$	76,894.00
DEVELOPMENT & OPEF	\$	1,487,255.00

\$	1,564,149.00
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TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

\$	3,215,257.00
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CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

LANDFILL CAPPING & CLOSING	\$	997,059.00
SEWER FACILITIES LOAN-WPAT	\$	89,869.00
PWED INDUSTRIAL PARK GT	\$	12,254.00
BROOKSIDE SEWER PROJECT	\$	8,223.00

TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

\$	1,107,405.00
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TRUST FUNDS

LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS INCOME EXPENDED	\$	13,780.00
GROUP INS. CLAIMS TST FUND-COSTS	\$	679,245.00

CEMETERY & OTHER TRUST FUNDS	\$	8,357.00	
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS			\$ 701,382.00

AGENCY FUNDS AND REFUNDS

POLICE OUTSIDE DETAILS	\$	55,378.00	
FIRE DEPT OUTSIDE DETAILS	\$	169.00	
DOG LICENSES	\$	2,989.00	
BID DEPOSITS	\$	40.00	
RECEIVERSHIP	\$	69,598.00	
CABLE COMMISSION	\$	48,001.00	
PAYROLL WITHHOLDINGS	\$	173,549.00	
MISC. REFUNDS	\$	(5,919.00)	
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS			\$ 341,805.00

RECAPITULATION

GENERAL FUND-GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$	412,070.00	
GENERAL FUND-PUBLIC SAFETY	\$	1,102,752.00	
GENERAL FUND-EDUCATION	\$	7,564,830.00	
GENERAL FUND-PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES	\$	1,575,134.00	
GENERAL FUND-HUMAN SERVICES	\$	140,108.00	
GENERAL FUND-CULTURE & RECREATION	\$	197,433.00	
GENERAL FUND-DEBT SERVICE	\$	769,886.00	
GENERAL FUND-INTERGOVERNMENTAL	\$	127,119.00	
GENERAL FUND-INSURANCE & MISC.	\$	380,452.00	
GENERAL FUND-OTHER FINANCING USES	\$	480,330.00	
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$	3,215,257.00	
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS	\$	1,107,405.00	
TRUST FUNDS	\$	701,382.00	
AGENCY FUNDS	\$	341,805.00	
TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$	18,115,963.00	

CASH JULY 1, 1997	\$	4,416,930.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	19,341,313.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS AND CASH	\$	23,758,243.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$	18,115,963.00
CASH JUNE 30, 1998	\$	5,642,280.00

CASH-GENERAL FUND	\$	2,471,278.00
CASH-SMALL CITIES CHECKING	\$	6,217.00
CASH-SMALL CITIES LOANS FUND	\$	7,972.00
CASH-CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$	710,767.00
CASH-TRUST FUNDS	\$	2,446,046.00
	\$	5,642,280.00

BALANCE SHEET

TOWN OF ORANGE

JUNE 30, 1998

Assets

Cash - Gen.Fd., Spec.Rev., Agency		\$ 2,471,277.77
Cash - Small Cities Block Grant		6,216.52
Cash - Small Cities Loans Fund		7,972.47
Accounts receivable:		
Levy of 1987		
Real Estate	1,473.36	1,473.36
Levy of 1988		
Personal Property	125.10	
Real Estate	<u>542.98</u>	668.08
Levy of 1989		
Personal Property	1,216.76	
Real Estate	<u>(61.26)</u>	1,155.50
Levy of 1990		
Personal Property	1,914.77	
Real Estate	<u>7,506.02</u>	9,420.79
Levy of 1991		
Personal Property	5,039.45	
Real Estate	<u>20,574.64</u>	25,614.09
Levy of 1992		
Personal Property	1,909.26	
Real Estate	<u>5,517.08</u>	7,426.34
Levy of 1993		
Personal Property	2,180.11	
Real Estate	<u>11,936.79</u>	14,116.90
Levy of 1994		
Personal Property	1,421.22	
Real Estate	<u>4,026.87</u>	5,448.09
Levy of 1995		
Personal Property	1,498.53	
Real Estate	<u>12,499.43</u>	13,997.96
Levy of 1996		
Personal Property	1,060.52	
Real Estate	<u>37,435.11</u>	38,495.63
Levy of 1997		
Personal Property	2,279.95	
Real Estate	<u>86,299.25</u>	88,579.20
Levy of 1998		
Personal Property	2,981.90	
Real Estate	<u>234,510.94</u>	<u>237,492.84</u>
		443,888.78
1990 Farm Animal Excise		222.45
1991 Farm Animal Excise		215.32
Forest Products Excise		1,927.00
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1991	4,831.95	
Levy of 1992	4,203.31	
Levy of 1993	3,720.31	
Levy of 1994	3,479.47	
Levy of 1995	4,377.89	

Levy of 1996	5,235.61	
Levy of 1997	3,434.52	
Levy of 1998	<u>30,716.33</u>	
		59,999.39
Tax Titles		401,421.30
Tax Possessions		8,381.53
Modified Tax Titles		12,133.96
Departmental Accounts Receivable:		
Ambulance	215,297.36	
Armory Rentals	125.00	
Cemetery Dept. burials	<u>3,025.00</u>	218,447.36
Water Dept. Accounts Receivable:		
Water Rates and Interest	59,255.22	
Water Services	<u>3,446.68</u>	62,701.90
Sewer Dept. Accounts Receivable:		
Sewer Rates and Interest	44,762.32	
Sewer Stock & Labor	<u>2,638.27</u>	47,400.59
State Aid to Highways receivable		117,598.10
Police Outside Details-due from vendors		7,524.56
Dispatch Cops More Grant receivable		12,157.49
Cops Universal receivable		1,061.62
School Grant receivable-Gifted & Talented Gt.		300.00
School Grant receivable-Valuing our Children Gt.		2,000.00
School Grant receivable-Comm.Coalition for Teens		10,000.00
School Grant receivable-DPH Big Brother Gt.		15,557.40
Unprovided for authorized deferral of teachers' pay		301,961.00
Loans Authorized		1,952,000.00
		<u>6,162,366.51</u>

Liabilities and Fund Balance

Revenue reserved until collected:

Motor Vehicle Excise Revenue	59,999.39	
Farm Animal Excise Revenue	437.77	
Sewer Revenue	47,400.59	
Departmental Accounts Rev.	218,447.36	
Forest Land Excise Revenue	1,927.00	
Water Revenue	62,701.90	
Tax Title Revenue	401,421.30	
Tax Possessions Revenue	<u>8,381.53</u>	800,716.84

Overlays reserved for abatements:

1988 Overlay	1,988.67	
1989 Overlay	15,930.30	
1990 Overlay	33,914.57	
1992 Overlay	(1,244.70)	
1993 Overlay	(1,474.25)	
1995 Overlay	29,481.68	
1996 Overlay	57,136.98	
1997 Overlay	24,212.28	
1998 Overlay	<u>57,553.70</u>	217,499.23

Tailings-General Fund		38,850.23
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Over-Under Assessments	
Non-renewal surcharge	(9,360.25)
County Tax	(87.84)
Special Ed. Assmt.	2,000.00
Debt to be raised by assessors	(2,626.85)
Loans authorized and Unissued	1,952,000.00
Appropriations to be forwarded	949,236.97
Water Surplus	394,343.34
Surplus Revenue	1,006,375.08 ✓

Chapter 113B Highway Authorization	58,434.07
Massachusetts Small Cities Grant	6,216.52
Reserve for Small Cities Loans	7,972.47
Insurance reimbursement	1,500.00
Library Incentive Grant	9.09
Library Municipal Equalization Grant	6,507.45
Library Comm. Based Public Health Grant	79.33
Library Non-resident Circ.Offset Award	1,210.07
Armory Commission Gifts	17,010.91
Arts Cultural Council Grant	5,798.79
Arts Council Fair Donations	1,007.10
Arts Council Misc.Gifts	67.39
Calendar of Events Donations	140.00
Recycling Revolving Fund	268.08
Franklin Regional Transportation Auth. Rev.Fd	1,651.64
Fire Dept.Hazardous Materials Revolving Fund	1,538.82
D.A.R.E. Program	15,991.65
Police Cadet Program Donations	1,232.75
Cops More Grant	13,481.59
Community Policing Grant	4,476.65
Wal-Mart gift for sewer hook-ups	5,559.00
Water Pollution Abatement Trust Grant	13,757.50
WPAT Septic Repair Loan Program	45,552.50
Council on Aging Grant	172.51
Office of Elder Affairs Grant	461.00
School Lunchroom	36,106.98
Schools-Project FOCUS	8,657.62
Schools-Drug-Free Schools Grant	8,060.00
Schools-Block Grant	4,480.00
Schools-Eisenhower Grant	283.33
Schools-Summer Feeding Program	23,389.32
Schools-Goals 2000	58.44
Schools-Title I Grant	9,491.97
Schools-Community Partnership Revolving Fund	17,337.04
Schools-NELCWIT grant	61.42
Dexter Park Heating System Grant	157,254.75
K-9 Gifts	24.50
Ambulance Gifts	64,442.21
Library Memorials and Bequests	5,269.12
Landfill Closure Account	103,068.77
Conservation Commission Wetlands Protection Fund	3,419.00
Skate Park Gifts	200.00
Peace Statue Donations	2,167.50
Workers Comp-Reserved for appropriation	60,313.09

Cemetery Sale of Lots		26,797.15
Proceeds from Sale of Real Estate		7,070.28
Road Machinery Earnings Reserve		7.11
Trust Fund income:		
Library Funds	(2,608.77)	
Cemetery Flower Funds	(16.50)	
Goddard Park Fund	(4.61)	
E. Blanche Hamilton Lib. Fd.	38,911.26	
Stabilization Fund	7,502.75	
Local Law Enf. Trst. Fund	<u>1,166.29</u>	44,950.42
Federal Tax Refund		5,715.07
Receivership Program		<u>14,697.79</u>
		6,162,366.51

BALANCE SHEET-CAPITAL PROJECTS

Jun-98

FUND 30 - CAPITAL PROJECT FUND

CASH-MWPAT SEWER FACILITIES PLAN	\$.	
RECEIVABLE - WPAT SEWER FACILITIES PLAN	\$	108,889.30	
BANS PAYABLE-WPAT SEWER FAC.PLAN			\$ 198,758.00
FUND BALANCE-WPAT SEWER FACILITIES PLAN	\$	<u>89,868.70</u>	
	\$	198,758.00	\$ 198,758.00

FUND 31 - CAPITAL PROJECT FUND

CASH-PWED INDUSTRIAL PARK GRANT			\$ 12,253.80
RECEIVABLE-PWED IND.PARK GRANT	\$	830,036.00	
DEFERRED REVENUE-PWED IND. PARK GRANT			\$ 830,036.00
FUND BALANCE-PWED INDUSTRIAL PARK	\$	<u>12,253.80</u>	
	\$	842,289.80	\$ 842,289.80

FUND 32 - CAPITAL PROJECT FUND

CASH-BROOKSIDE SEWER PROJECT	\$	181,776.66	
BANS PAYABLE-BROOKSIDE SEWER PROJECT			\$ 190,000.00
FUND BALANCE-BROOKSIDE SEWER PROJECT	\$	<u>8,223.34</u>	
	\$	190,000.00	\$ 190,000.00

FUND 33 - CAPITAL PROJECT FUND

CASH-WATER PIPELINE, RIVER CROSSING	\$	377,520.00	
FUND BALANCE-WATER PIPELINE, RIVER CROSS.			\$ 377,520.00
	\$	<u>377,520.00</u>	\$ 377,520.00

FUND 34 - CAPITAL PROJECT FUND

CASH-LANDFILL CAP & CLOSE	\$	163,724.54	
BANS PAYABLE-LANDFILL CAP & CLOSE			\$ 1,210,000.00
FUND BALANCE-LANDFILL CAP & CLOSE	\$	<u>1,046,275.46</u>	
	\$	1,210,000.00	\$ 1,210,000.00

<u>TRUST FUNDS</u>	<u>Non-Expendable</u>	<u>Expendable</u>	<u>Total</u>
Alice S. Mann Trust Fund	\$20,000.00	\$2,172.42	\$22,172.42
Gertrude Rugg Trust Fund	10,844.00	1,855.38	12,699.38
Asula P. Goddard Charity Fund	5,000.00	33,682.27	38,682.27
Asula P. Goddard Library Fund	3,000.00	639.29	3,639.29
Mae Alice Mann Library Fund	2,000.00	1,838.02	3,838.02
George A. Whipple Library Fund	200.00	12.83	212.83
Sadie M. Orcutt Library Fund	2,000.00	680.72	2,680.72
Addie J. Stratton Library Fund	100.00	51.29	151.29
Lizzie E. Read Library Fund	100.00	53.66	153.66
Marion S. Fowler Library Fund	183.87	16.41	200.28
Frank P. Hosmer Library Fund	5,000.00	1,915.80	6,915.80
Carrie Delle Hosmer Library Fund	5,000.00	2,314.70	7,314.70
C.F.Bartolomei Library Fund		68,411.21	68,411.21
Moore-Leland Library Fund	16,875.00	1,403.82	18,278.82
Marion H. Davis Library Fund	11,010.00	1,769.15	12,779.15
Goddard Park Fund	1,000.00	517.00	1,517.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	323,045.98	1,111.54	324,157.52
Asula P. Goddard Cemetery Fund	2,000.00	1,114.55	3,114.55
Henry Moore Cemetery Fund	1,000.00	1,505.59	2,505.59
E.Blanche Hamilton Cemetery Fund	3,333.00	20.47	3,353.47
E.H.Putnam Cemetery Flower Fund	300.00	1,124.10	1,424.10
C.H.Bannon Cemetery Flower Fund	400.00	1,083.27	1,483.27
J. & S. Oberg Cemetery Flower Fund	400.00	931.41	1,331.41
C. & L. Lilliestrand Cemetery Fl.Fd.	400.00	964.63	1,364.63
Hartson-Fisher Cemetery Flower Fd.	300.00	701.09	1,001.09
Kidder-Russell Cemetery Flower Fund	300.00	351.34	651.34
Earl Keyes Cemetery Flower Fund	250.00	214.31	464.31
Arthur A. Steinberg Cemetery Fl.Fd.	500.00	3.36	503.36
Leigh Dow Cemetery Flower Fund	100.00	152.49	252.49
Merle Fleming Cemetery Flower Fund	500.00	762.16	1,262.16
Miller-Hartley Cemetery Flower Fd.	300.00	181.36	481.36
Gordon Shaw Cemetery Flower Fund	300.00	195.93	495.93
Doris Olson Cemetery Flower Fund	1,000.00	367.96	1,367.96
Carl Carlson Cemetery Flower Fund	300.00	52.83	352.83
Solomon Olson Cemetery Flower Fund	300.00	52.83	352.83
Arts Council Fund Invested		6,076.81	6,076.81
Conservation Fund		6,023.41	6,023.41
Municipal Property Insurance Fund		4,019.23	4,019.23
Law Enforcement Trust Fund Invested		1,057.52	1,057.52
Group Insurance Trust Fund		1,024,013.71	1,024,013.73
Rivetto Holding Account	20,500.00		20,500.00
Village School Escrow Account	15,993.50		15,993.50
Playground Gifts		3,914.73	3,914.73
Stabilization Fund		792,084.42	792,084.42
Peace Statue Escrow Account		5,201.17	5,201.17
Local Law Enforcement Trust Fund		<u>21,593.83</u>	<u>21,593.83</u>

\$2,446,045.39

General long-term debt account group:

Water Rehabilitation Project	\$ 25,000.00
Airpark Industrial Park	186,647.00
New Elementary School	3,237,880.00
Front-End Loader	13,800.00
Landfill Engr.Rel.to Continued Operation-Orange	20,230.00
Landfill Engr. Shared with Athol	10,970.00
Ongoing Landfill Engr.Oper.Proc.,Upgrading	35,000.00
Landfill Trailers and Transfer Station	60,000.00
Cruiser,Fire Alarms,Town Hall Roof,Radios,Truck	147,000.00
Fire Pumper/Tanker	200,000.00
Water Pipe, River Crossing	400,000.00
Waste Water Treatment Plant Dump Truck	<u>28,000.00</u>
	\$4,364,527.00

The report of the town accountant covering the financial transactions of the Town of Orange for Fiscal 1998 is herewith respectfully submitted.

Doris H. Bittenbender

BOARD OF HEALTH
ANNUAL REPORT
JULY '97 - JUNE '98

The Board of Health continues to be quite busy. In the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Boards of Health are charged with the responsibility to protect the public health, by developing, implementing and enforcing health policies. Because of the ever-changing nature of health and safety issues, and the ever-expanding legislative and regulatory requirements, it becomes a balancing act for a small town board, with limited resources, to meet its responsibilities. Much of the discussion during meetings of smaller town Boards of Health revolves around determining who is responsible, who has the authority and ability to solve problems, and then recruiting and managing those resources appropriately.

The State Department of Public Health has resources, in terms of expertise, and has been a valuable ally. In some instances, the Selectboard handles some issues, recent examples include handling of public nuisances, and the arrangement for an improved sewer system. Of course, the Police Department and the court system are helpful in enforcement of regulations, and the Highway, Sewer and Water Departments play an important role as well. There are other, non-official groups which lend significant, often critical, assistance. Examples of these would include the Tobacco Free Greater Franklin County Partnership organization, which has been very helpful in delineation of issues in regard to tobacco and smoking, and the Massachusetts Association of Health Boards, which is a resource for information. The list of allies goes on, however the bottom line is that the work of the Board of Health would be impossible without the help of these other individuals and organizations and we must acknowledge their assistance.

Under State law, the Town is required to provide certain health related services, including nursing visits, immunization, and other health related testing services. The Town of Orange is particularly fortunate to have the Athol Memorial Home Health and Hospice (formerly Community Health), of the Athol Memorial Hospital, to assist us in meeting these requirements. The Athol Memorial Home Health and Hospice works under a contractual agreement with the Board of Health to provide these technical services, and has done an exemplary job. The services provided in this past year are detailed below.

Perhaps the most important, relationship we have is with the other inspectors in town, particularly the Building Inspector and the Fire Department. The Board has been experiencing an increasing workload in the area of housing violations.

For the most part, the housing issues revolve around landlord-tenant problems and the safety of the housing. This is an arena in which the local Board of Health is most appropriately involved. Due to the very direct impact that quality and safety of housing has on the public health, a close watch on conditions of violation is warranted. We have continued to experience an increase in the number of requests for housing inspections, and at the same time been able to meet these demands and are identifying those properties which are chronic and most troubling. Unfortunately, due to regulations, the inspection of housing is complicated and often necessitates a team approach, most often with the Building Inspector and the Fire Department.

The Board of Health has been sharing office space with the Building Inspector, and has found that we are mutually able to reduce the individual workload, and become more efficient by coordinating and sharing in the overlap of our areas. Often we inspect housing as a team to eliminate repeat visits and unnecessary duplication. Also, the Board has been sharing our computer system and providing a degree of secretarial assistance, which allows both departments to function more effectively. We anticipate this relationship to not only continue, but perhaps evolve further, providing the Town with an improved level of service, yet maintaining a cost effective bottom line. Obviously, the taxpayer is interested in the bottom line cost of government services. The taxpayer must realize that the Town is legally charged with responsibilities which, if not met, can result in great liability. The primary function of the Board of Health is to protect the public health and safety, however there is the secondary benefit of keeping a lid on liability, and therefore taxes, cost of insurances, etc.

The Board of Health, in the past fiscal year, has dealt with a 19% increase in inspections and other related services, however we have so far been able to absorb this additional volume. While we have continued to deal with the ongoing septic, food, housing and other issues, tobacco issues continued to demand our attention. The Board of Health has been attempting to find the middle ground, protecting the public health from the effects of primary and secondary tobacco smoke, and yet not overstep our bounds. At the time of the writing of this report, we are considering various issues in and around tobacco smoke, including the institution of a non-criminal penalty for youth possession of tobacco. As well, we continue to search for an appropriate method to control secondhand smoke in restaurants and associated businesses. We are not considering a ban on smoking in public places in general.

The Board has instituted a new fee schedule, to bring ourselves more in line with other towns of our size. These fees should have a minimal effect upon the public, however will allow us to better cover the time and expense devoted to the various inspections, and handling of associated documents, etc. The Board has also instituted a new fee, for a service which has become required due to the Title V

regulations. We now must charge for our review of the Title V inspections and paperwork, and the associated filing. This has become a time and space consuming activity, and is most appropriately supported by those requiring this service.

Following is a brief summary of the Board of Health activities in the past fiscal year:

Housing Inspections	194
Food Inspections	87
Septic Inspections	80
Perc Tests	33
Other Inspections	12
Licenses/Permits	228
(This represents a 19% increase over the previous fiscal year)	

The Board of Health took in \$36,044.50 in the past fiscal year. We anticipate an increase in our revenue generation to approximately \$42,000; Board of Health budget for this previous fiscal year was \$34,624. We have been holding the line on expenses, with no budget increase in the past two years, despite a total 62% increase in inspections, as well as the associated in court appearances, paperwork, filing, etc. The Board has requested no increase for this next fiscal year, as we anticipate we will be able to hold the line on expense, however due to the increases and cost of services for which we must pay, including computer services and materials, and the increasing need for training workshops, etc., we will of necessity be requiring an increase in our budget for the following year. We are at our limit, without risking the public health, and incurring liability for the Town.

The services provided of the Athol Memorial Home Health and Hospice included the following:

Blood Pressure Clinics (24 required)	504 people tested
Flu Clinics (2 required)	183 people immunized
(A well-attended flu clinic provided jointly for the Athol-Orange area, immunized 1080 people total)	
Immunization Clinics (2 required)	32 people immunized
(386 people immunized for pneumonia at above joint clinic)	
Nursing Visits	27

The Board of Health anticipates an active year, as we will attempt to finalize some of the tobacco-related issues, and will attempt to formulate more seamless mechanisms for handling of housing problems. The Board welcomes community

input, and remains available to address questions and concerns, at our board meetings or through our office.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul A. Kowacki, Chair
Nan R. Hunt
John F. Dolan



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1998 ANNUAL REPORT BUILDING DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Select Board and Citizens of Orange:

I hereby submit my third annual report of the Building Department.

The following are the statistics for the department for January 1 thru December 31, 1998. The estimated value of the construction in Orange during 1998 was \$2,198,000.00. There was a total of \$52,129 expended to fund the building department and \$32,363 collected in user fees, this represents 62% of the cost of operation.

- Building Inspector
 - 234 Permits issued
 - 426 Inspections conducted
- Electrical Inspector
 - 278 Permit issued
 - 434 Inspections conducted
- Plumbing Inspector
 - 130 Permit issued
 - 163 Inspections conducted
- Gas Inspector
 - 30 Permit issued
 - 30 Inspections conducted

This year increased utilization of the computer has been a benefit for the department. Most of the permits and certificates issued by the building department are now generated from the computer. This improves retrieval of records and eliminates the need to purchase the blank forms.

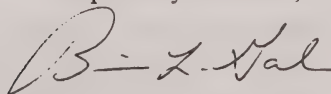
The building department was inspected this year by the District State Inspector. The formal written report on the inspection is not in, however, I received very positive comments during the inspection. I expect there will be some suggestions for improvement and I anticipate the department will receive a good grade overall.

The Building Department and the Community Development Office worked together to find, apply for and secure \$170,000 in grant funding for the demolition of several abandoned and dangerous buildings in town. Since most of these buildings are in foreclosure by the town for none payment of taxes, without this funding the community would be faced with the liability of these properties. These properties, in there present condition, are not marketable. The grant funds will allow us to abate the liability and restore the property to marketable condition. The reclamation of this property is a vital part of the revitalization of the neighborhoods and the community.

Our mission is to promote the safe and compatible development of the community through fair and consistent enforcement of codes and zoning ordinances.

I look forward to helping make 1999 a great year for Orange.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "B. L. Gale", written in a cursive style.

Brian L. Gale,
Inspector of Buildings

1998 Orange Police Department Annual Report

As 1998 drew to a close, the Orange Police Department saw several changes beginning to emerge. Grant monies were received to update equipment and fund adequate staffing levels, and we were also forced to say goodbye to a mainstay of the department, Officer William Golding.

The police department continued to successfully write and acquire grants from the state and federal governments. A federal block grant was received to allow the department to address the rapid transformations in the field of technology. Computers, hand held radios, and other law enforcement equipment will all be updated as we head into the 21st century. Civilian aides were hired on a part-time basis to assist both citizens and officers. This additional coverage allows the station to be manned on an almost continual basis.

Officer William Golding has retired from the police department after twenty-four years of service to the Town of Orange. Officer Golding served the department as a Patrol Officer, Sergeant, Chief of Police, and most recently the Community Policing Officer. "Officer Bill" spent countless hours teaching D.A.R.E., writing grants, and heading up the TRIAD and Police Explorer programs. His dedication to the Town of Orange and its citizens is commendable. The department's Community Policing division will continue to offer programs to enhance awareness and safety for all Orange residents under the direction of Officer Dan Kimball.

CONTINUING PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

The Citizen Police Academy graduated two classes in 1998, helping graduates gain insight and understanding of their local department and the Criminal Justice field. Many graduates of the program become involved in the Citizens Police Auxiliary, which helps the department with community projects.

Orange TRIAD is entering it's fifth successful year establishing bonds between police and senior citizens. Monthly programs are presented to help seniors with quality of life issues. The Orange TRIAD program continues to be highly successful and has received national recognition for it's efforts. Officer Golding was invited to the TRIAD National Conference as a keynote speaker.

The Police Cadet/Explorer Program continues its positive influence on local teens by encouraging careers in criminal justice and instilling the value of public service. Explorers and TRIAD have continued their bond with "multi-generational" bike patrols in senior citizen housing complexes. The Explorer program received national recognition for the patrols from the Cellular Telecommunication Industry Association (C.T.I.A.) at its National Awards banquet in Washington DC. TRIAD and the Explorer program also received recognition for the patrols from the National Crime Prevention Council.

Explorers and Citizens Police Auxiliary also helped the Department in August as Orange participated for the fourth year in "National Night Out" an international crime prevention program. The program is recognized in Orange with neighborhood cookouts and a "barefoot dance" at the police department. Officers volunteering to sit in a "dunking tub" raised over \$187 at the dance this year. The money was given to "Orange Families First" to further their efforts in helping the children of Orange.

The Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) curriculum is being taught in Orange schools for its tenth consecutive year. Officer Dan Kimball is the Department's new D.A.R.E. Officer replacing Officer Bill Golding who started the program.

The Community Service Department's programs are ongoing, and any citizens with comments or questions, are urged to contact Officer Kimball.

CANINE PROGRAM:

This past year was a milestone for the department's K-9 program when the Pioneer Junior Women's Club after 20 plus years of support to our program dedicated a K-9 monument to all handlers and their dogs worldwide, past, present, and future. Over 20 canine teams from throughout Central Massachusetts attended it. Many members of our community attended as well.

During the year the unit continued its involvement with the community as it has in years past. Public demonstrations were done for local fairs, the summer reading club, the elementary schools and TRIAD to name a few.

At the request of past graduates of the Citizens Police Academy and our TRIAD group, a K-9 demonstration featuring a number of K-9 units was put together. It was well received by those in attendance, and we were able to coordinate it with the Celebrate the Harvest weekend, so others in the community could attend.

We also assisted a high school senior from the Gardner school system who was involved in the Shadow Program. A program designed to help students get insight to career fields.

The department's K-9 unit also generated the following activity:

Arrests:	15	Out of Town Assists:	10
Alarms:	11	Prowlers:	0
Building Searches:	1	Suspicious Activity:	3
Crowd Control:	1	Open Doors:	1
Evidence Recovery:	1	Training Days:	26
Tracks:	11	Area Searches:	2
Demonstrations:	19	Missing People:	3
Security Detail:	0	Breaking/Entering:	7

IN-SERVICE TRAINING:

Firearms Qualifying: Officer Golding, our firearm instructor, has qualified all our permanent and reserve officers in the proper use of our semiautomatic handguns and shotguns.

First Responder/C.P.R.: All officers are certified as First Responders and in CPR. Officer Robert Harrington of the Winchendon Police Department re-certified the officers through the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council.

Officer Refresher Course: All full-time officers have attended the weekly in-service training held by the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council.

STATISTICS

ARRESTS:	440 (ADULT&JUVENILE)
ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS:	159
M. V. CITATIONS ISSUED:	909
CALLS FOR SERVICE	6598
COURT TIME:	171.5 HR'S
RESERVE HOURS:	2046.5
OVERTIME HOURS:	1508
CASES INVESTIGATED:	572

REVENUES

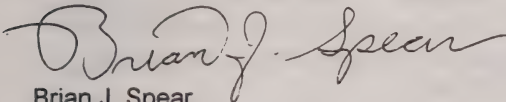
Court Revenue:	\$ 6,220.00
Citation Revenue:	\$37,240.00
Pistol Permits:	\$ 2,490.00
Insurance Reports:	\$ 403.00
F.I.D. Cards:	\$ 104.50
Firearms Dealer Licenses:	\$ 60.00
Ammunition Licenses:	\$ 3.00
I.D. Photographs:	\$ 990.00
Fingerprints:	\$ 0.00
Parking Program:	\$ 904.00
Civil Defense Reimbursement:	\$ 500.00
Incentive Pay Reimbursement:	\$ 8,657.00
TOTAL:	\$57,571.50

GRANTS

Community Policing:	\$ 42,125.00
Federal Block Grant:	\$ 30,718.00
COPS More - Extra Patrols:	\$ 18,026.00
COPS More - Civilian Aides:	\$ 17,472.00
COPS More - Civilian Aides:	\$ 17,372.00
COPS Universal Hiring:	\$150,000.00
E.O.P.S. DARE:	\$ 9,700.00
TOTAL:	\$285,413.00

I would like to thank the members of the Orange Police Department for their continued hard work and dedication this past year. The Town of Orange is very fortunate to have such a fine group of individuals who commit themselves to the highest level of professionalism and community service.

Respectfully submitted,



Brian J. Spear
Chief of Police

Annual Report of the Fire Department

1998

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Orange:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Fire Department for the calendar year 1998.

The members of the department along with Mahar students in the "School to Work" program spent many hours to get the 1967 Ford Tanker, acquired through the Bureau of Forest Fire Control's surplus property program, ready to go into service. This was finally accomplished in September. This project would never have been accomplished without the cooperation of the department members and businesses throughout the community. The Tully station now is much better equipped to respond to a structure fire in their district with this additional 1300 gallons of water available immediately.

The department completed its replacement of breathing apparatus this year. All vehicles are now equipped with this important tool, with the oldest unit being five years old. The program to keep these units up to date will now go into effect with the continuous upgrading of the oldest units. By continually upgrading these units we should never have to replace all of them again.

One of the departments most crucial needs is space. Documentation goes back to the middle 70's in regards to the lack of available space. Plans have been developed and land designated to build a new station in Tully. The current station does not provide sufficient space to hold meetings, meet the public or work on the apparatus. This building also has inadequate electrical service, no water, and bathroom facilities are now provided by a rented portable toilet. The major problem is that the Town does not own the land that this station is located on and technically only has use of the land surrounding the station to the point where the rain falls from the roof.

The downtown station continues to have work done on it. The vehicle exhaust removal system was completed this year, the last of the second floor windows were replaced, the Water Street soffits were covered with aluminum siding and the roof gutters were replaced. In the middle of the summer it was identified that carpenter ants had damaged part of the roof support structure. An exterminator was hired and we are now reviewing the damage and the costs of repairs. A review of the building by the Selectboard and Town Administrator identified inadequate storage areas especially in the area of petroleum products. A plan has been submitted to the capital planning committee to add on to this station in the future.

The emergency responses were up 16% from 1997. The good news is that in 1998 the Town had NO fires that resulted in any significant damage to a structure. I attribute some of this to our education program and some to the Town's inspection program. The following is a breakdown of the types of calls that the department responded to.

Fires and Explosions - 74

	Sta. #1	Sta. #2		Sta. #1	Sta. #2
Structure fire	18		Outside structure	2	1
Vehicle fire	13	2	Tree/Brush/Grass	22	2
Refuse	11	1	Explosion - No Fire	1	
Unclassified	1				

Overpressure Rupture (no combustion) - 3

	Sta. #1	Sta. #2		Sta. #1	Sta. #2
Steam Rupture	1		Overpressure unclass.		1
Air, Gas Rupture	1				

Rescue - 149

	Sta. #1	Sta. #2		Sta. #1	Sta. #2
Medical Emergency	105	23	Search	1	
Extrication	10		Unclassified	10	

Hazardous Conditions - 43

	Sta. #1	Sta. #2		Sta. #1	Sta. #2
Spill/Leak/no fire	15		Excessive Heat	3	
Power line down	3	1	Arcing/Short	8	2
Aircraft Standby	3		CO Hazard	5	1
Unclassified	2				

Service Call - 63

	Sta. #1	Sta. #2		Sta. #1	Sta. #2
Water Evacuation	2		Smoke, Odor, rmval	9	2
Assist Police	2		Unauthorized burn	2	
Mutual Aid	4		Unclassified	40	2

Overpressure Rupture (no combustion) - 3

	Sta. #1	Sta. #2		Sta. #1	Sta. #2
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Good Intent - 50

	Sta. #1	Sta. #2		Sta. #1	Sta. #2
Smoke Scare	21		Controlled burn	1	1
Investigation only	22		Unclassified	4	1

False Call - 90

	Sta. #1	Sta. #2		Sta. #1	Sta. #2
Malicious/Mischievous	4		Bomb Scare	4	
System Malfunction	53	8	Unintentional	12	
CO Activation	9				

Total Responses Station #1 - 422**Total Responses Station #2 - 50**


The department had a change in full time personnel this past year with Captain Robert Laford leaving to take a position of Safety Officer at the University of Massachusetts Amherst Campus. Robert was very instrumental in the training of all department members, upgrading the Fire Prevention programs in the schools and bringing the department into the computer age. His work and talents will be missed and I wish him luck in his new career.

In his place the department hired William Rowe. William had been a member of the call department for 10 years and held the driver's position on Engine 3 company. William was Orange's first Advanced Level Emergency Medical Technician at the Intermediate Level. William is working towards becoming a Paramedic. William brings to the department his many years of experience in providing prehospital care and a mechanics background. I look forward to working with William for many years.

The department received a Student Awareness of Fire Education "SAFE" grant from the Department of Public Safety in the amount of \$3,566.21. This is \$900.00 less than last year as more communities are applying for the same amount of funds. This years money will be used to purchase an up to date computer and to continue to provide the fire prevention programs of the department.

I would like to thank the members of the for their support and look forward to continuing my service to the community.

Respectfully submitted



Dennis M. Annear
Fire Chief

1998 Annual Report of the Fire Alarm Superintendent

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Orange,

I hereby submit the following report for the Fire Alarm Division of the Town of Orange Fire Department for the year 1998.

We continued to progress forward again this year with upgrades and new extensions to the municipal system.

In the spring, of the year the extension to the recycling facility was completed. This included approximately 200 feet of two inch underground conduit which was installed to the building before the paving was completed.

A short extension was also completed on Congress street for a pending master box. Master box 48 was installed at the Water Department with a complete alarm system in the building. This protects one more of our Town's buildings. With this box in place we were able to extend Cheney Street to Carpenter Street.

St. Mary's Church replaced their underground wiring on box 425 to bring their system up to code.

The Library installed their system and master box 215 is in service protecting our Library. At this time the system for the Town Hall has been started.

Normal maintenance is ongoing with lines being trimmed as needed, pole changes, and grounds being removed as necessary.

Master boxes requiring service i.e. short hooking, insurance testing, sprinkler testing and back flow testing totaled 188.

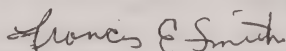
All boxes were tested twice during the year. The schools were tested prior to their opening and during the year.

Traffic lights were maintained and updated as necessitated and numerous bulb changes were done.

Fire Alarm continues to look into radio box systems for the outlying areas of Town.

All of the above work was performed by the members of the Orange Fire Department. Again thanks to all the other Departments for their continued assistance and use of their equipment to complete our projects.

Respectfully Submitted,



Francis E. Smith
Superintendent of Fire Alarms

Annual Report of the Forest Warden

1998

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Orange:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Forest Warden for the calendar year 1998.

The fire department responded to 24 tree, brush or grass fires last year. This is the second year in a row that we have had no significant Forest Fires. The possibility of a disastrous forest fire is increasing every year. Storm damage, disease, bug kill, the remains of logging operations, lack of fires has resulted in a dangerously high forest fuel load. Combine this with the lack of precipitation and it is all leading to a potentially large and dangerous if not catastrophic forest fire.

The department has been working for the past few years to outfit all its members with special protective gear for working at wildfires. This special gear allows the individuals to be properly protected without using the very expensive gear designed for structural fire fighting. The members of the department have almost completed the used vehicle purchased to respond to brush fires and rescue calls. In the next year we will be working on refurbishing the 1968 Jeep to be used for fires off the main roads.

The department issued 1,766 permits for open burning. I want to thank all of the citizens for their compliance with the open burning laws and for calling when they have an outside cooking fire. If we know about an outside fire then it reduces the number of times we have to respond to calls for flames or smoke in an area, which reduces the our overall operating costs.

Open burning is allowed from January 15th to May 1st with a permit. To obtain a permit call 544-3145 after 8:00 AM the day you wish to burn. Cooking fires are allowed all year if a permit is obtained. Violations of any of the rules for outside burning will result in no permits being issued for that property for the remainder of the season. Failure to get a permit will result in court action.

The Jones Street Recycling Facility accepts small brush and yard waste from citizens of the Town of Orange.

Respectfully submitted,



Dennis M. Annear
Chief Forest Warden

Annual Report of the Ambulance

1998

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Orange:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Ambulance for calendar year of 1998.

The ambulance responded to 744 calls for assistance this past year. This is a slight reduction from last year. This number of calls still demands a strong commitment from our part time technicians who provide this vital service. The fire department provided first response 44 times last year when our ambulance was in service on another call.

The department put its new ambulance into service in December. This vehicle is on a heavy duty chassis and should hold up better than the last one. The projected life of this ambulance is 4 years based on past experience. The fifth year on the last two vehicles has required an extensive amount of maintenance to keep it functioning. This ambulance was purchased with money left in the donations received in 1992 and fees collected from the other communities we serve. There was no cost to the taxpayer of the Town of Orange.

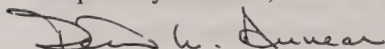
The department continues to work towards increasing the level of service that it provides. A cardiac monitor was purchased this year which is one of the pieces of equipment necessary to be licensed at the Paramedic Level. The department has two certified Paramedics, a third individual has completed the course and is in the testing phase. The department also has two Intermediate level technicians and two more have completed the classroom portion of this class. Currently there are two individuals enrolled in a Paramedic class with one to graduate in 2000 and one to graduate in 2001. Application was made at the end of December to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to upgrade to the Paramedic level.

I am continuing to recommend that the town purchase a second ambulance. This year transport of patients was delayed the 44 times the fire department responded as a First Response unit. Taking into account the number of calls we did and the fact that the ambulance cannot respond to a second call for assistance while on a call, the ambulance was not available for immediate transport for approximately 38 days last year. This is not taking into account when it was unavailable due to it being serviced. The use of a backup ambulance also costs the town money as we respond with the engine to provide immediate care but cannot bill for these services. The estimated loss of revenue on the 44 calls was \$9,000.00 if all the calls were Basic Life Support calls or \$18,000.00 if Advanced Life Support was provided.

The provision of quality emergency medical care requires much work by many people. I would like to thank Deputy Chief Bruce Blackmer and his wife Nancy who do the scheduling, District Deputy Chief C. David Gale for taking care of the inventory, Firefighter/EMT Francis Smith for maintaining the ambulance, Administrative Assistant Connie Superchi for her diligence in billing and collection and all the technicians and firefighters who make this system work as well as it does.

The members of the New Salem, Wendell, Warwick and Erving Fire Departments also need to be recognized for their efforts in providing quality prehospital care to their citizens. These individuals respond to all medical calls in their communities providing that often crucial first response while we respond with the ambulance. They also provide us with excellent directions to the scene and often provide a member to guide us into the correct address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dennis M. Annear". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and a stylized "A".

Dennis M. Annear NREMT - P
Ambulance Director



Orange Water Department

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Orange, Massachusetts 01364
Telephone: 978-544-1115 • Fax: 978-544-1122

Water Commissioners
Donald Barnes
Donald Priestley
Francis Smith

Superintendent
Richard P. Kilhart

Regular Meetings
2nd & 4th Mondays
7:00pm

To The Honorable Board of Water Commissioners.

I hereby submit the annual report for the Water Department for the year 1998.

Total gallons of water pumped	1997	248,669,991
Total gallons of water pumped	1998	227,617,180
Total meters read		6,912
New meters installed		38
Meters repaired		25
New service lines installed		2
Domestic service lines renewed		20
Domestic service lines turned		
On & Off at owners request		54
Frozen meters		3
Fire hydrants rebuilt		6
Fire hydrants replaced		2
Fire hydrants added to Water		
Distribution system		3
Leaks repaired in main lines		1
Service leaks repaired		28

The Water Department had several water pipeline upgrades in the past year. The water pipeline under the railroad crossings at Water St. & Brookside Rd., were replaced with new 12" and 10" ductile iron water main respectively. These were also placed inside a steel casing under these same tracks.

There was a new 16" ductile iron water main river crossing added to the distribution system. This line should greatly improve water flow to the north side of town.

The Massachusetts Highway Department had begun but not completed the installation of new fire hydrants and water service lines on West Main St.

The remainder of this project should be completed in the spring of 1999.

With Water Works Pride,
Richard P. Kilhart
Superintendent

Town of Orange Wastewater Treatment Facility 1998 Annual Report

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator, and Residents of our fine community,

The Town of Orange, Wastewater Treatment Facility has been in full operation since March 6, 1977. For the most part it continues to maintain effluent compliance in conjunction with the National Pollution Discharge Elimination Permit. Up to the present, no serious improvements have been implemented to upgrade its major pieces of equipment or design criteria. The Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan that will address future improvements continues to move forward, and will be completed by June 1999. Our new NPDES Permit was issued in October. Some changes provided savings to our operating budget while others required more strict compliance procedures. The Board of Selectmen made some minor changes in the Sewer Ordinances that provided for better understanding of certain articles. Plant personnel were involved in the replacement of 700 feet of sewer pipe on East Main Street. Preliminary design drawings for South Main Street sewer improvements were completed for grant application purposes. The result of that grant application proved favorable to reconstruct approximately 1,600 feet of pipe. Construction should begin mid 1999.

Because of the efforts of many residents and Town officials, the Town has approved the development a second industrial park. (Randall Pond) As part of this proposed development, plant personnel required that improvements must be made to increase capacity and provide for potential loading on this facility. The improvements needed would be specific and project related. The amount of funds allocated under the grant to accomplish the desired outcome is \$500,000.00. These funds will be used for Engineering, design, and construction. The Consultant Engineers for both the development of the Park, and upgrade of this facility is Dufresne-Henry Inc. from North Springfield, VT. The design and specification stage is already underway and we expect construction to begin sometime in March or April, 1999. Facility improvements that are considered under this project are; replacement of wastewater pumps and controls, influent and effluent flow equalization in and out of the biological aeration process, replacement of return sludge pumps and controls, flow recorders, waste sludge transfer pump and controls, and possibly replacement of mechanical aerators with fine bubble air diffusers. In order to accomplish replacement of the aerators we must find funds to cover the additional cost. Our Consultants have contacted officials from Mass Electric to see if we qualify under the energy incentive program related to this project. Depending on the amount of rebate contribution, we may be able to make installation of the fine bubble system feasible. It must be recognized by all concerned that these project related improvements is only the beginning phase of the overall needs of this facility. Once these project related improvements have been completed we will have a better understanding of what will be proposed for complete Facility rehabilitation.

The Brookside Road sewer system and pumping station was placed into operation April, 1998. A total of 103 service connections, serving approximately 280 residents was completed. The inspection process was performed by plant personnel. The general contractors, F&J Construction Co. from Ludlow, MA constructed a very tight system that indicates no measurable amount of clean water infiltration is present which is very unusual even for new construction.

Facility Data:

Total Rainfall = 43.83"
Total Wastewater Flow = 333.24 Million gallons
Liquid Sludge Transported @ 4.8% Avg. = 310,500 gallons
Equivalent Tons of Dry Sludge Transported = 58.39 Tons

Respectfully Submitted,

Larry Adams
Larry Adams, Chief Operator

TOWN OF ORANGE

Department of Highways and Sewers

David T. Frye, Superintendent

To the Honorable Selectboard and the Residents of Orange:

I hereby submit the following annual report of the Highway and Sewer Department for the calendar year 1998.

HIGHWAY

- Reconstructed 1000' of surface on Wheeler Ave.
- Cut brush and trees on Wheeler Ave. and widened some areas. Completed 500' of drainage and 6 cross culverts.
- Installed cross culverts on Jones Cemetery Road and East Road
- Installed cross culvert on Magoon Road, and Flagg Road.
- Removed and disposed of 5,000 Cu. Yds. Of waste materials from the salt shed area on East River Street.
- Dispensed 150 tons cold patch and 200 tons hot mix in potholes.
- Cut back 4000' of road shoulders.
- Cut back brush on 5 miles of road sides.
- Cleaned 250 catch basins and 500 lf. of laterals & culverts.
- Installed 1400 feet of culvert along rail road tracks, and installed two basins.
- Boston and Maine Rail Road rebuilt crossing, and lowered the track under the Main Street Bridge. Also included in this project was new water and sewer crossings under the tracks.
- Installed drainage and paved portion of Brookside Road
- Installed drainage and paved Lower Athol Road.
- Paved Lower Holtshire Road.
- Pave the hill road between Fisher Hill School and Dexter Park School.
- West Main St. rehabilitation was started by Gomes Construction.
- Repaired four truck rear ends. Did major repairs to two plow / sand trucks.
- Rebuilt bucket on bucket loader.
- Purchased two used snow plows, one used chipper, one new truck body and the Case Backhoe Loader.

SEWER

- Rebuilt over 600 ft. of sewer main on East Main Street, from Grove Street easterly. That section had collapsed at Christmas time.
- Rodded blockages on Cheney Street, King St., Highland St., 2 on East River

- Flushed sewers on Harrison Ave., 2 on East River St., West Main St. and Cheney St.
- Repairs were made to Terrace St..
- Most funds were used for treating areas with root problems.

PARKS

- Cleaned and maintained parks and playgrounds.
- Scheduled games and events.
- Formed Parks Sub Committee.
- Displayed flags on holidays.

PERSONNEL

- Merle Thompson resigned.
- Paul Bickford was promoted to Recycling Manager / Superintendent. Paul had worked for the highway department for 27 years.
- Don Williams was hired mechanic / operator.
- Eight DOT required drug and alcohol test were performed, all were negative.
- N.A.G.E. negotiations are still in progress.

HIGHWAY BARN

- Had roof truss problems in mechanics bay area and also in the truck bay.
- Repairs made to secure roof for the winter.

STREET LIGHTS

- Repaired lights in the Town Hall parking lot.

TREES

- Removed 14 downed or dangerous hanging trees from the roadway.

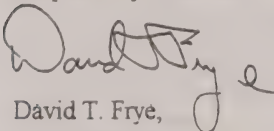
DESIGN/PROJECTS

- Royalston Road Bridge Design Project completed; work to start in 1999.
- Wheeler Ave. Box Culvert Design completed; work to start in 1999.
- West Main Street bid complete; work to started in the fall of 1998.
- West River Street Design completed and sent to Mass Highway. Work will be done with State money in 2000.
- North Main Street (School St., Dexter St.) predesign for T.I.P. completed. Hope is that it will be added to the State Transportation Bond Bill this coming spring.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Picked up Christmas trees.
- Participated in fall parade, and family day at Butterfield park.
- Assisted with the K-9 award and dedication service at the Police Department.

Respectfully submitted,



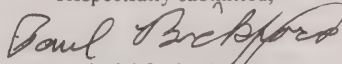
David T. Frye,
Superintendent

Town of Orange Recycling Center and Transfer Station
P.O. Box 156
Orange, Massachusetts 01364
(978) 544-1118

Annual Report 1998

I wish to thank everyone involved in presenting me with the opportunity to serve as the new manger of the Orange Recycling Facility. As you are all aware the position of manager has been vacant for the past seven months, leaving little room for a yearly report. However since my arrival on December 1, 1998, I have taken the initiative to stress many of my goals for operating a safe, friendly, clean, and productive facility. In the future I look forward to establishing a positive working environment utilizing the full potential and resources available at the facility.

Respectfully submitted,


Paul Bickford, Manager

**TOWN OF ORANGE
CEMETERY DEPARTMENT
South Main Street
Orange, MA 01364
(978) 544-3681**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

On behalf of the Town's Cemetery Department, I submit our annual report for the year 1998:

Along with our usual mowing, trimming, raking, etc., the Cemetery Department maintained 25 acres throughout our 7 cemeteries.

Major brush cutting was completed at Central Cemetery along Grove Street, Tully Cemetery along the tomb area, and at Holtshire Cemetery along the front.

We had a total of 64 burials in 1998.

We are in the process of creating more burial sites at South Cemetery. The first block of 88 with four grave lots is expected to be open by July, 2000.

Fees for interments and lots were increased by 75%. The increase went into effect July 1, 1988.

The Cemetery Department's newly acquired front-end loader and back hoe has been very helpful to our department.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas K. Forest".

Thomas K. Forest
Superintendent of Cemeteries

ORANGE PUBLIC LIBRARIES

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

1998

Continuing our commitment to improve services for our patrons, library hours have been increased again at the Wheeler Memorial Library. We are now open four nights a week until 8 p.m. and three mornings: Monday, Tuesday and Saturday. The library is closed on Friday and Sunday. The Moore-Leland Library in North Orange is open Thursday and Saturday with increased hours, as well.

The library trustees sponsored the impressive Memorial Day program in Memorial Park during which the Peace Statue and park were rededicated following extensive restoration. Trustee Pamela Oddy emceed the event. Trustee Robert Collen was a speaker on the program which was coordinated by Janice Lanou, Library Director.

Extensive updating was done on the health and medical collection, which was made possible by a grant from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. The library was recognized for its accomplishments in the field of public health by the Upper Valley Health Web.

Renovation of the downstairs meeting room maintains our effort to keep our 85 year old building in good physical shape. Walls were painted, carpeting installed and storage added. Draperies have been furnished by The Friends of the Libraries.

The Building Study Committee continues to investigate the needs of the library. A Space Needs Study was updated by Janice Lanou, Library Director and Candi Ashenden, Chair of the Building Study committee. It demonstrates the need for approximately twice the space we have now in order to accommodate all the added services a library provides in 1999 that were never dreamed of when it was built in 1914: videos, recorded books, computers, microfilm reader and printer, photocopiers, fax machine and other modern library materials and services. The Study Committee is in the process of determining the best option for the library's future; whether to remain in the present location with an addition or to build a new facility on a yet-to-be determined site.

Programming for both children and adults included weekly story hours, programs on gardening, book publishing and mystery book discussions. A presentation by award winning mystery writer Jonathan Healey was made possible by a grant from the Orange Cultural Council.

The Library is connected to the Orange Fire Station following the installation of a fire alarm system.

Vandalism has continued to be a problem with numerous windows broken and damage from spray paint on the building.

Sharon Hatstat, Assistant to the Children's Librarian, Elizabeth Lombard and Christine Mullen left the staff during 1998. Current staff members are:

Janice Lanou, Director	Cynthia Clifford, Adult Services
Lester Scafidi, Children's Librarian	Robin Shtulman, Adult Services
Lynne Jacoby, Adult Services	Patricia Pruitt, Children's Serv.
Anne Killay - Moore-Leland Librarian	
Rose Taylor - Moore-Leland Assistant	

Respectfully submitted,

The Board of Trustees

Nancy Mousley, Chairman
Glenys Harris, Vice Chairman
Pamela Oddy, Recording Secretary
Susan Enko, Corresponding Secretary
Robert Collen
Rachel Horowitz

1998 Orange Airport Annual Report

On behalf of the Orange Airport Commission I herby submit our annual report for the year 1998.

The first priority of the airport commission is to provide, through the airport, a gateway to the world. A port where business people and visitors alike can arrive in our community through a safe, modern, state of the art transportation facility the town can be proud of! The second priority of the airport commission is to develop a financially self-sufficient airport. Nineteen ninety eight brought the airport closer to realising both of these priorities through three major projects.

Under the guidance of airport consultants Campbell and Paris, the airport commission and manager met extensively with local groups and individuals concerned with the future development of the airport to help complete the Airport Development Plan. As grants became available to construct a second industrial park in Orange, some people believed the grant money should be used for development at the airport rather than at the proposed site. While most of the town voted to proceed with the original site, the controversy highlighted the planning efforts at the airport, giving the airport commission, manager and consultants more local input than they could have ever hoped for.

The purpose of this planning effort is to develop a feasible plan for future airport improvements to the Orange Municipal Airport that will help support the economic development of the region and provide the means for the airport to be more financially self-sufficient. The project, prepared to meet the needs of the Town of Orange, consistent with the requirements of the Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission and the Federal Aviation Administration will be complete in early 1999. The Airport Development Plan will be the second and final phase of the airport's master planning process. The plan is funded 97% through federal and state grants and the total cost of the second phase plan is \$116,000.00.

In addition, the airport will soon realise the financial benefit from past planning efforts. Several years ago the airport entered into agreements for commercial leases with businesses at the

airport. These, twenty year leases, revert ownership of the buildings to the airport at the expiration of the leases, enabling the airport to collect the rent revenues.

Later in the year, the airport received grants from the Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission to remove the underground fuel tanks at the airport, bringing the airport into compliance with state and federal guidelines just before the deadline. Grants were also received to purchase new above ground fuel tanks. The tanks will be installed in the spring of 1999. Although the interruption in aviation fuel sales will adversely affect the airport's bottom line in 1998, the new fuel system is likely to generate more revenue than ever before, as some of our neighboring airports were not so lucky. The total project cost is \$135,000.00. and is funded 80% by the state.

Many safety concerns were also addressed in 1998 including a grant award in the amount of \$133,624.00 to prepare a Vegetation Management Plan. The plan will promote aviation and public safety by allowing the airport to maintain airspace free of obstructions, to meet state and federal aviation safety regulations while limiting adverse impacts to environmental resources such as wetlands, water quality, and wilderness. The project is funded entirely by the state.

Today inbound arrivals can, not only land in all sorts of weather on a brand new 5000 foot runway, but also turn on and off the airport lighting, adjust the intensity of the lighting and listen to a detailed description of the surface weather and field conditions from the comfort of their cockpit while in flight. There are only about three thousand airports in this country with lighted, paved runways like ours. An asset well worth preserving when you consider it is one of the first things business and industry look for in a community.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard Bedaw
Airport Manager

Orange Planning Board

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,

On behalf of the Orange Planning Board I hereby submit the Annual Report of the year 1998.

The Orange Planning Board approved a total of 11 Special Permits, 17 Approval Not Required Plans, 1 Preliminary Subdivision Plan, and denied 1 Subdivision Plan.

Special Permits approved included those for used car sales, kennels, a driving range, fuel tanks, and non-conforming uses, among others.

The Planning Board developed and approved zoning changes with regard to storage trailers, mobile offices, water resource and cell towers. These changes were approved by Town Meeting vote and the Attorney General's office.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Scherer, Chair
Orange Planning Board



Town of Orange Orange Massachusetts

Michael Yohan
Chairperson
Richard Wilkey
Kenneth Songer
Nan Hunt
Alec MacLeod
Robert Michaud

ANNUAL REPORT ORANGE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Orange Selectboard and Residents:

I hereby submit the following annual report for the calendar year 1998.

A review of the minutes of the Commission meetings reveals the following actions were taken:

- 3 Positive Determinations of Applicability
- 14 Negative Determinations (many with conditions)
- 13 Notices of Intent
- 1 Emergency Certification
- 1 Enforcement Order

In addition, the Commission completed work on a Forest Stewardship Plan for 80 acres off Chestnut Hill Road and we issued a favorable report supporting an Agricultural Preservation Restriction Application to the Commonwealth.

We also conducted many informal meetings with residents of Orange in order to explain the State Wetland Laws & Regulations and their impact on development plans. We have tried to steer citizens of the Town through State laws and regulations in a fair, equitable and environmentally sound manner.

The OCC is working to conserve and protect the natural resources in the Town of Orange for use by future generations. We are seeking to acquire Conservation Restrictions or title to land that is along our rivers, streams, ponds, bordering wetlands and open spaces for sound Conservation Management.

For the Conservation Commission:

Michael Yohan (Chair)

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

11 Damaged or dead trees removed.

16 Trees brought down by storms.

8 Trees trimmed that were damaging buildings.

6 Old standing tree trunks removed.

2 Houses damaged by falling trees.

1 car damaged by a fallen limb.

Respectfully Submitted

Steven J. Boudreau
Tree Warden

Report of the Armory Commission

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Orange:

Another successful year for the Armory Commission. We have again returned to the town approximately 90% of our yearly budget, from rentals of the Armory. We are having more activities there than last year.

Finally after several years, we have an attractive sign stating that the Armory is also the Orange Senior Center. Accomplishments this year: The kitchen walls and floor were painted, and shelves were installed in the storage room off the kitchen. These shelves were completed by the Regional Vocational Tech School. The deteriorated concrete apron on the East and West side of the building was removed and replaced, to be seeded in the spring. The three fire escapes were repaired, wire brushed, and painted. We shall again ask for bids for the installation of a new boiler and burner. We also still have plans to enlarge the parking lot.

We thank everyone for all their help and cooperation. The Armory Commission could not accomplish this alone.

William Ruby
Kenneth Truckey
Marty Picard
Tom Forest

Ruth Songer

Earl Drew, Chairman
Lucia Cavaliere
Frank Metivier
Edward Billiel

Council On Aging

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and The Citizens of Orange

I hereby submit the annual report of the Council on Aging for the calendar year 1998.

Board Members:	Term Expires
Chairperson, Clifford Fournier	1999
Vice Chair, Roberta Dahl	1999
Secretary, Jean Chase	2000
Mary Lawson	
Murray Work	1999
Robert Hughes	
Florence Bickford	2000
Lucia Cavaliere	1999
Earl Drew	2000

COA Staff:

Secretary/ Dispatcher: B. Connor	Staff Assistant: E. Nordstrom
Senior Aide Program person: C. Keating	
Van Drivers: D. Bowers, D. Poirier & J. Sawin	

Programs Report:

Telephone & Drop in information and/or referrals: Totaled 3450 for the year

Med-Ride : Provides rides to medical appointments outside Franklin County, through use of Volunteer Drivers. A total of 134 one-way rides for the year were given.

*** Franklin County Home Care presented an award to COA. Chair, Clifford Fournier for this service at its annual meeting in Nov. 1998.**

COA Van Transportation: Has provided 4222 one-way rides for medical, food shopping, hair & other needs.

Brown Bag : Provides a bag of surplus food to area elders once a month. A total of 893 bags for the year.

AARP Tax Assistance: A tax preparation service (free) to elders. This service provided a total of 41 units of service for 38 UDI.

Mini Health Fair: 71 persons attended this program with its combination Diabetic/Cholesterol & Respiratory screenings and Health service information. Most of the screenings and info booths were volunteered services which allowed us to offer more at the fair than our formula grants funds would have otherwise.

Activities sponsored by COA: Bi-weekly exercise, monthly foot screenings, rug braiding, ceramics, bi-monthly crafts & painting.

Respectfully Submitted,


Clifford Fournier
COA. Chairman

Town of Orange
Orange Historical Commission
Yearly report 1998

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The six members of the Orange Historical Commission, Ken Kilhart, Anne Reuben, Marcia Larocque, Glenn Johnson, Grover Ballou and Linda Temple met monthly (Except August) in the office of Selectmen at the Town Hall.

Anne Reuben was again elected chairperson and Linda Temple re-elected secretary. Several properties were added to our survey of buildings; three of which are applying for National Register status. For us this consists of providing histories of the homes.

Projects we have participated in this year include Memorial Park, South Main street bridge renovations, History of Central School, Putnam Hall history and review, Town Hall handicap access. We inventoried the town's outdoor sculptures.

We are presently working on two brochures to highlight our towns history. One will be on old mill sites of town and the other on World War 1 plaques and peace statue.

Several members of the commission worked on a project to catalog the North Orange cemetery with the object of putting it on the Mass. Historical Register. We have surveyed it and make an inventory of the stones. Many of these are Revolutionary War Soldiers. This is believed to be the oldest cemetery in town.

The commission has worked with any citizen or committee asking for historical data on the buildings, cemeteries or sculptures in town. Anne Reuben represented us at the semi-annual meeting of the Hampshire-Franklin Historical Commissions meeting held in Conway. Next May we will host this meeting.

Respectfully submitted

Linda J. Temple - Secretary
Anne Reuben, Chair

Linda J. Temple-secretary
Anne Reuben-Chairperson
Orange Historical Commission



This will be a forward looking report, dealing with the details of this years funding.

The Orange Cultural Council received a grant of \$7,721 this funding cycle. This money and \$4,551 of residual funds accumulated over several years has been "regranted" by the council for the funding of 29 events. This was out of a total of 42 grant proposals received. Approved grants include; a 10 piece swing band concert, a concert for senior citizens of songs with piano, clarinet and sax accompaniment, programs at the local schools, 3 library programs and support of the "Brown Bag Lunch" concert series and the "Starry, Starry Night" New Years celebration.

Some of these programs still require the details of timing and location worked out. Volunteers to help "sponsor" such an event are very welcome to contact the Council.

Most of the grant proposals the Council receives are unsolicited and from individuals or groups not from Orange. We would like to encourage more locally originated projects by either local artists or performers or prospective local sponsors of events. Input concerning the type of events townspeople would like to see happen would also be greatly appreciated.

The Cultural Council has a mail box in the hallway across from the Town Clerk's Office.

for the Orange Cultural Council
Doug Feeney, Chair

1997 Annual Report
Orange Housing Authority

To the Board of Selectmen:

The present Board of Commissioners of the O.H.A. are:

Robert Lunny, Chairman

Rice Flanders, Chairperson & Governor's appointee

Stewart Marshall

Paul Eno

One vacancy created by the 11-24-98 resignation of Elizabeth Hatstat

The Executive Director is Nancy Wood.

The meetings of the Board are held in the Colonial Acres Community Room at 200 East River Street, Building 3.

The Orange Housing Authority manages two State-Aided housing complexes: 1.) Colonial Acres - 56 one bedroom units for elderly (over 60) and/or handicapped persons. 2.) Macintosh Court - 8 units of 2 & 3 bedroom family units. On behalf of the Department of Housing & Community Development we manage the Massachusetts Rental Program, a rental subsidy program for 45 Project Based (at Pine Crest) units, 1 mobile unit within the community, and 3 Project Based D.M.H. units.

All programs are administered as per State Rules and Regulations. Vacancies of all units are filled off of the agency waiting list. Income guidelines are based on adjusted gross income and the number of family members. The O.H.A. has a "Local Preference Policy" which allows us to give local residents, or those applicants working in the Town of Orange, a priority for assistance.

We received 261 applications for subsidized housing during 1997. Of these applications 71 were within the local preference category.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Board of Commissioners



ORANGE REVITALIZATION PARTNERSHIP

20 South Main Street, Orange, MA 01364

978/544-2845 Fax: 978/544-1120

Orange Revitalization Partnership – Accomplishments

Listed below are some of the accomplishments we have achieved over the past year. Some of our achievements are noticeable, some are hidden, but have an effect on the capacity of the town to support economic development. Perhaps one of the most important accomplishments is the building of an organization that represents many different interests and constituencies in town, and has kept a Board of 24 people and over 200 volunteers actively involved in the development of their community for no other reason than because they care about it. In this day and age of busy people, with too many things to do, we think that is significant. Additionally, ORP has served as an incubator of people's best ideas. If someone approaches us with a good idea, we all help to find the ways to make it happen, whether its funding, technical assistance or just support.

Memorial Park

- Built a partnership that raised funds from Dept. of Housing & Community Development, the Town of Orange, and Dept. of Environmental Management to rehabilitate the Park.
- Raised additional money from the sale of 690 engraved bricks which has helped make the Park a destination point for both residents and visitors

Business Assistance

- have worked with 78 businesses providing technical assistance
- helped to start 14 downtown and home-based businesses
- 41 additional jobs added to existing or start-up businesses
- in cooperation with the Franklin County Community Development Corporation, we helped create the WOW Business Network. The Network is designed to bring together the small businesses of Orange for networking, trading and skill-building purposes

Commercial Rehab

- conducted feasibility study on the New Home buildings that included structural analysis and marketing assessment for its reuse. We are now working with the Millers River Community Development Corporation on a commercial rehab loan for the building that now houses North Quabbin Computers.
- gave two loans to the Central School, which has 3 new tenants and is expecting to sign a lease with Greenfield Community College

Institute for Workplace Innovation and Learning (IWIL)

- developing a cutting-edge training institute to be located in Orange

Greenfield Community College Task Force

- worked with GCC to locate a satellite in Orange
- built a Task Force of community members that are committed to helping GCC have a successful experience in Orange

Waterfront Park

- provided the staff support to the Barn Siting Committee and Barn Building Committee within the Town to facilitate the development of a Waterfront Park.
- contracted for drawings of options for a proposed Park
- working on an Open Space Plan to facilitate funding for projects like the Waterfront Park

Millers River Greenway

- sponsored the Millers River Greenway Corporation that is attempting to locate a bike path between downtown Orange and downtown Athol. The Board of the Corporation is made up of residents from 6 towns in the North Quabbin region.

Farmers Market

- sponsored the Orange Farmers Market that presently operates out of Butterfield Park. The Market has been running for 3 years and is now self-sufficient.

Teens

- have operated the Back Door Teen Center at the Tobacco Free Storefront downtown
- helped teens do community service projects like cleaning the Armory parking lot, cleaning the cemetery, and fixing the basketball courts at Butterfield Park
- supported town committee of parents and teens in creating the Orange SkatePark
- launched the Young Entrepreneur's Society (YES), an entrepreneurial training and business development program for young people, ages 13-12
- created an Odd Jobs Exchange, a listing of 360 services-for-hire offered by 30 teens

Community Events

- held the Citizen of the Month award each month
- held 3 seasonal events for the community: Starry, Starry, Night; the Citizen of the Month Annual Dinner; Hello Summer

Benches

- placed 5 public benches in Butterfield Playground and the downtown

RECORD OF VOTES AT ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
MARCH 3, 1998

AT A LEGAL MEETING OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF ORANGE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS AND IN TOWN AFFAIRS, HELD IN THE ARMORY MONDAY MARCH 3, 1998 FROM 10:00AM-8:00PM IT WAS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:

TOTAL VOTED		1221
PRECINCT	1	583
PRECINCT	2	638

SELECTMAN:

BRUCE A. GABRENAS	THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY THREE	383
FRANCES L. DEMBEK	ONE HUNDRED TWENTY SIX	126
ARTHUR REPPAS	FIVE HUNDRED ELEVEN	511
RICHARD P. SHERIDAN	ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY EIGHT	188
WRITE INS	ONE	1
BLANKS	TWELVE	12
	TOTAL	1221

MODERATOR:

CHRISTOPHER J. WOODCOCK	ONE THOUSAND SIXTY SIX	1066
WRITE INS	EIGHT	8
BLANKS	ONE HUNDRED FORTY SEVEN	147
	TOTAL	1221

ASSESSOR:

FRED L. HEYES	FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY THREE	563
NORMAN BARTLETT	SIX HUNDRED TWENTY ONE	621
WRITE INS	THREE	3
BLANKS	THIRTY FOUR	34
	TOTAL	1221

BOARD OF HEALTH:

NAN R. HUNT	ONE THOUSAND FORTY FOUR	1044
WRITE INS	SEVEN	7
BLANKS	ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY	170
	TOTAL	1221

TREE WARDEN:

WRITE INS	THREE HUNDRED SIXTY SEVEN	367
BLANKS	EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY FOUR	854
STEVE BOUDREAU RECEIVED ENOUGH TO WIN		
	TOTAL	1221

ORANGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:(THREE YEAR)

VICKIE AUTIO	NINE HUNDRED SIXTEEN	916
WILLIAM C. LARKIN	NINE HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT	928
ELIZABETH L. PEIRCE	NINE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR	944
WRITE INS	FOURTEEN	14
BLANKS	EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY ONE	861
	TOTAL	3663

ORANGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE (TWO YEAR):

LOUISE M. HAMEL	SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY	670
ANDREA H. YOUNG	THREE HUNDRED NINTY FOUR	394
WRITE INS	ONE	1
BLANKS	ONE HUNDRED FIFTY SIX	156
	TOTAL	1221

REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE		
PETER M. CROSS	NINE HUNDRED TWENTY SEVEN	927
CHARLOTTE P. RYAN	EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY SEVEN	897
WRITE INS	TWELVE	12
BLANKS	SIX HUNDRED SIX	606
	TOTAL	2442
LIBRARY TRUSTEE:		
ROBERT P. COLLEN	ONE THOUSAND TWENTY SIX	1026
RACHEL HOROWITZ	EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY FOUR	894
WRITE INS	SIX	6
BLANKS	FIVE HUNDRED SIXTEEN	516
	TOTAL	2442
WATER COMMISSIONER:		
FRANCIS E. SMITH	NINE HUNDRED NINETY EIGHT	998
WRITE INS	FOUR	4
BLANKS	TWO HUNDRED NINETEEN	219
	TOTAL	1221
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER:		
EDWARD LAUGHTON	ONE THOUSAND TWENTY ONE	1021
WRITE INS	TWO	2
BLANKS	ONE HUNDRED NINETY EIGHT	198
	TOTAL	1221
CONSTABLES:		
CALVERT A. LUNDGREN	NINE HUNDRED SIXTY ONE	961
JOHN T. O'LARI	ONE THOUSAND THIRTY ONE	1031
JOSEPH H. LUCE	EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY NINE	899
WRITE INS	NINE	9
BLANKS	SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY THREE	763
	TOTAL	3663
HOUSING AUTHORITY:		
ROBERT W LUNNY	NINE HUNDRED TWENTY FOUR	924
WRITE INS	FOURTEEN	14
BLANKS	TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY THREE	283
	TOTAL	1221
A TRUE RECORD OF THE VOTES:		
SHIRLEY L. PAGE, TOWN CLERK		

**WARRANT AND VOTES FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 23,1998**

FRANKLIN,SS.

TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN OF ORANGE, IN THE COUNTY OF FRANKLIN:

GREETING;

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE INHABITANTS OF SAID TOWN QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS, AND IN TOWN AFFAIRS, TO MEET AT RALPH C. MAHAR REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN SAID ORANGE, ON MONDAY THE 23RD DAY OF MARCH AT 7:00PM., THEN AND THERE TO ACT ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES.

THE MEETING OPENED AT 7:10PM WITH A QUORUM PRESENT. A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED TO TAKE UP ARTICLE 7 & 8 FIRST.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS TO DO THIS

ARTICLE 7:

TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO ADOPT A BY-LAW PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS TO ESTABLISH THIS BY-LAW.

**BY-LAW FOR THE
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE**

SECTION 1. THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN SHALL ESTABLISH AND APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO BE KNOWN AS THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE.COMPOSED OF ONE MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN, ONE MEMBER OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, APPOINTED BY THE CHAIRMAN THEREOF AND THREE MEMBERS AT LARGE FOR INITIAL 1,2 AND 3 YEAR TERMS. THEREAFTER TERMS SHALL BE FOR THREE YEARS. THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR SHALL BE AND THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT MAY BE COMMITTEE STAFF MEMBERS WITHOUT THE RIGHT TO VOTE. A SIXTH MEMBER FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC SHALL BE APPOINTED ANNUALLY TO SERVE AS AN ALTERNATE AND WILL VOTE IN THIS CAPACITY WHEN NEEDED. ANNUALLY, AFTER JULY 1, THE COMMITTEE SHALL REORGANIZE BY ELECTING ITS OWN OFFICERS. CONSISTING OF A CHAIR,VICE CHAIR AND CLERK. IF A VACANCY OCCURS, IT SHALL BE FILLED BY THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY THAT APPOINTED THE MEMBER WHOSE POSITION HAS BECOME VACANT,

SECTION 2. THE COMMITTEE SHALL STUDY PROPOSED CAPITAL EXPENDITURES THAT ARE MADE IN ORDER TO PROVIDE, REPLACE. OR IMPROVE THE FACILITIES THAT FURNISH SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS BY-LAW A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT OR PROJECTS A PHYSICAL BETTERMENT OR ITEM OF EQUIPMENT OR PROJECT HAVING A USEFUL LIFE OF AT LEAST ONE YEAR AND A TOTAL COST THAT EXCEEDS \$5,000. ALL DEPARTMENT HEADS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES, INCLUDING THE SELECTMEN, SHALL, BY OCTOBER 1 OF EACH YEAR, GIVE TO THE COMMITTEE ON FORMS PREPARED BY IT. INFORMATION CONCERNING ALL ANTICIPATED PROJECTS REQUIRING TOWN MEETING ACTION DURING THE ENSUING 5 YEARS. THE COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIDER THE RELATIVE NEED, IMPACT, TIMING AND COST OF THESE EXPENDITURES AND THE EFFECT

EACH WILL HAVE ON THE FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE TOWN. NO APPROPRIATION SHALL BE VOTED FOR A CAPITAL EXPENDITURE REQUESTED BY A DEPARTMENT,BOARD OR COMMITTEE UNLESS THE PROPOSED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT IS CONSIDERED IN THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT, OR THE COMMITTEE SHALL FIRST HAVE SUBMITTED A REPORT TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN EXPLAINING THE OMISSION.

SECTION 3. THE COMMITTEE SHALL PREPARE AN ANNUAL REPORT RECOMMENDING A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR AND A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM INCLUDING A FORECAST OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING FOUR FISCAL YEARS. THE REPORT SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN FOR ITS CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL. THE COMMITTEE SHALL SUBMIT ITS APPROVED CAPITAL BUDGET TO THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING FOR ADOPTION BY THE TOWN.

SECTION 4. THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT AND THE RECOMMENDED CAPITAL BUDGET SHALL BE PUBLISHED AND MADE AVAILABLE IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT.

ARTICLE 8:
TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO APPROVE THE PROJECT CERTIFICATION APPLICATION. SUBMITTED BY THOMAS & BETTS, FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THEIR FACILITY IN THE INDUSTRIAL PARK WITHIN THE SAVE ORANGE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AREA.

ARTICLE PASSED -THE LAND DESCRIBED AS PARCEL 37 OF ASSESSORS MAP 15, DATED 1996 AND THE FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THOMAS & BETTS AND THE TOWN OF ORANGE SUBMITTED TO THIS TOWN MEETING. THIS APPROVAL IS FOR THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE PROJECT CERTIFICATION APPLICATION THAT CONFIRMS:

A. THE PROJECT, AS PROPOSED, IS CONSISTENT WITH AND CAN REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO BENEFIT SIGNIFICANTLY FROM INCLUSION IN THE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AREA;

B. THE PROJECT, WITH PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SITE, WILL NOT OVERBURDEN THIS TOWN'S INFRASTRUCTURE AND UTILITIES SERVICING THE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AREA; AND

C. THE PROJECT, AS DESCRIBED IN THE PROJECT CERTIFICATION APPLICATION, WILL INCREASE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR RESIDENTS OF THE GREATER FRANKLIN COUNTY ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AREA, THEREBY REDUCING BLIGHT, ECONOMIC DEPRESSION, AND RELIANCE ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE;

D. THE TOWN REQUESTS THAT THE PROJECT BE DESIGNATED AS A CERTIFIED PROJECT FOR THE TERM OF YEARS OUTLINED IN THE TIF AGREEMENT.

APPROVED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ON APRIL 28,1998

ARTICLE 1.
VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS TO TRANSFER THE FOLLOWING FOR UNPAID BILLS:

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
DOG CONTROL COSTS	MT TULLY KENNEL	\$78.00
ORANGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	MODERN CURRICULUM PRESS	\$169.00
PLUMBING INSPECTOR	JOHN DOLAN	\$160.00

ARTICLE 2.
VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS TO TRANSFER \$40,000 FROM SURPLUS REVENUE FOR THE REVALUATION OF ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF ORANGE.

ARTICLE 3.

VOTE PASSED TO TRANSFER \$500,000 FROM SURPLUS REVENUE TO THE STABILIZATION ACCOUNT.

ARTICLE 4.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS TO TRANSFER \$25,000 FROM SURPLUS REVENUE TO PAY BILLS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND SUBMITTAL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION RESPONDING TO CONTAMINATION IDENTIFIED DURING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REMOVALS AT THE EAST RIVER STREET HIGHWAY BARN.

ARTICLE 5.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS TO TRANSFER \$4,915 FROM THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT SALARY ACCOUNT TO THE SEWER ACCOUNT AND \$2,250 FROM THE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT TO THE SEWER ACCOUNT.

ARTICLE 6.

VOTED TO SELL OR TRADE ONE CRUISER AND TO TRANSFER \$23,325 FROM FREE CASH AND ALSO TRANSFER THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS REMAINING FROM EARLIER BORROWING:

\$1,762.00	FROM	1997 POLICE CRUISER
\$ 833.79	FROM	1997 HIGHWAY PICKUP TRUCK
\$1,383.00	FROM	1998 OWWTP DUMP TRUCK

RECAPITULATION

ARTICLES TO TRANSFER FOR UNPAID BILLS

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
DOG CONTROL COSTS	MT TULLY KENNEL	\$ 78.00
ORANGE ELEM. SCHOOL	MODERN CURRICULUM PRESS	\$169.00
PLUMBING INSPECTOR	JOHN DOLAN	\$160.00

ARTICLES TO TRANSFER

	FROM	TO	AMOUNT
ARTICLE 2	SURPLUS REVENUE	REVALUATION	\$ 40,000
ARTICLE 3	SURPLUS REVENUE	STABILIZATION	\$500,000
ARTICLE 4	SURPLUS REVENUE	DEPT.OF ENV.PROTECTION	\$ 25,000
ARTICLE 5	HIGHWAY SUPER.		
	SALARY	SEWER ACCOUNT	\$ 4,915
	HIGHWAY ADM.	SEWER ACCOUNT	\$ 2,250
ARTICLE 6	FREE CASH	POLICE CRUISER	\$ 23,325
	1997 POLICE CRUISER	POLICE CRUISER	\$ 1,762
	1997 HIGHWAY PICKUP	POLICE CRUISER	\$ 833.79
	1998 OWWTP TRUCK	POLICE CRUISER	\$ 1,383

MEETING DISSOLVED AT 8:15PM.

A TRUE RECORD OF THE VOTES.

SHIRLEY L. PAGE, TOWN CLERK

**WARRANT AND VOTES FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MAY 4,1998**

THE MEETING OPENED AT 7:00PM WITH A QUORUM PRESENT. RICHARD HALL OPENED THE MEETING BY SINGING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM ACCOMPANIED BY SANDRA EKLUND ON THE PIANO. TOWN MODERATOR CHRIS WOODCOCK THEN OPENED THE MEETING.

THE SELECTMEN MADE A MOTION TO HAVE SEPARATE MOTIONS ON EACH ITEM IN ARTICLE 1. **THIS WAS UNANIMOUS.**

ARTICLE 1:

VOTED TO TRANSFER \$51,376 FROM SURPLUS REVENUE TO THE FOLLOWING CURRENT YEAR APPROPRIATIONS:

DEBT FOR ONGOING LANDFILL ENGINEERING	\$ 370.00
DEBT FOR COMBINED NOTE	
FIRE ALARM, CRUISER, TOWN HALL RENOVATIONS	\$ 1,408.00
RADIO, TRUCK	
LONG-TERM INTEREST	\$ 3,598.00
SHORT-TERM INTEREST	\$ 9,000.00
RESERVE FUND	\$17,000.00
SANITATION	\$20,000.00

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

VOTED TO TRANSFER THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS FROM CURRENT YEAR APPROPRIATIONS AS FOLLOWS:

A TOTAL OF \$5,807 FROM VARIOUS ACCOUNTS OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AS FOLLOWS:

\$2,135 FROM HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT SALARY TO HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION.
 \$1,500 FROM PARKS TO HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION
 \$2,172 FROM SNOW AND ICE TO HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION
 \$9,000 FROM FIRE DEPARTMENT SALARIES & WAGES TO FIRE DEPARTMENT

EXPENSE

\$10,000 FROM UNEMPLOYMENT TO THE RESERVE FUND FOR GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE NEEDS.

\$10,000 FROM WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE TO THE RESERVE FUND FOR GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE NEEDS.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 2: VOTED TO RESCIND THE ACTION TAKEN UNDER ARTICLE 13 AS VOTED BY THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OF MAY 7, 1996, THAT APPROVED THE PROJECT CERTIFICATION APPLICATION DATED APRIL 17, 1996, SUBMITTED BY MICROPHOTONICS, INC. FOR RENOVATIONS OF ITS FACILITY AT 75 EAST MAIN STREET WITHIN THE SAVE ORANGE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AREA.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

RECAPITULATION

ARTICLE TO TRANSFER:

	FROM	TO	AMOUNT
ARTICLE 1	SURPLUS REVENUE	DEBT FOR LANDFILL ENGINEERING	\$ 370.
	SURPLUS REVENUE	DEBT FOR COMBINED NOTE	\$1,408
	SURPLUS REVENUE	LONG-TERM INTEREST	\$3,598

SURPLUS REVENUE	SHORT-TERM INTEREST	\$ 9,000
SURPLUS REVENUE	RESERVE FUND	\$ 17,000
SURPLUS REVENUE	SANITATION	\$ 20,000
WATER SURPLUS	LONG TERM INT.(WATER PROJECTS)	\$ 5,300
HIGHWAY SUPT. SAL.	HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION	\$ 2,135
PARKS	HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION	\$ 2,172
FIRE DEPT SAL.&WAG.	FIRE DEPT EXPENSE	\$ 9,000
UNEMPLOYMENT	RESERVE FUND FOR INSURANCE	\$10,000
WORKERS COMP INS.	RESERVE FUND FOR INSURANCE	\$10,000

MEETING DISSOLVED AT 7:25PM

A TRUE RECORD OF THE VOTES.

SHIRLEY L. PAGE, TOWN CLERK

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

MAY 4,1998

MEETING OPENED AT 7:25PM AFTR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING DISSOLVED AT 7:20PM WITH A QUORUM STILL PRESENT.

ARTICLE 1:

VOTED TO ADOPT A BYLAW, PURSUANT TO M.G.L. 39, SECTION 15 REGARDING THE STANDING VOTE REQUIREMENT FOR NON-UNANIMOUS VOTES REQUIRING 2/3 VOTE. AS FOLLOWS:

TOWN MEETING VOTES:

1. WHEN A 4/5 OR 9/10 VOTE OF TOWN MEETING IS REQUIRED BY STATUE. THE COUNT SHALL BE TAKEN AND THE VOTE SHALL BE RECORDED IN THE RECORD BY THE CLERK.

2. IF A TWO THIRDS VOTE OF TOWN MEETING IS REQUIRED BY STATUTE, THE COUNT AND RECORD OF THE VOTE NEED NOT BE TAKEN, NOR THE VOTE RECORDED, WHEN THE MODERATOR SO DETERMINES THAT A 2/3 VOTE HAS BEEN ACHIEVED BY A VOICE VOTE.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

THEN A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED TO USE THIS LAW AT TONIGHTS MEETING SO VOTED.

THIS BYLAW WAS APPROVED BY THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL JUNE 23,1998.

ARTICLE 2.

TO ACCEPT AND KEEP ON FILE THE FOLLOWING REPORTS AS PRESENTED, WITHOUT RATIFICATION OF ANY ACTION TAKEN, OR AUTHORIZATION OF ANY ACTION PROPOSED:

1997 ORANGE TOWN REPORT

RECYCLING REVOLVING FUND

HAZARDOUS SPILLS REVOLVING FUND

THE F.R.T.A. TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM REVOLVING FUND

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 3.

TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN TREASURER, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TO SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY THE TOWN

THROUGH TREASURER'S DEEDS OF TAX TITLES FORECLOSED BY COMMISSIONER'S AFFIDAVIT OF LAND OF LOW VALUE, OR BY FORECLOSURE THROUGH THE LAND COURT.
VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 4.

TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND IN ACCORDANCE WITH M.G.L. CH. 44. SEC 53E 1/2 TO ACCOUNT FOR THE RECEIPT, TRANSPORT, AND SALE OF RECYCLABLE GOODS, SUCH FUND TO BE UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000 IN EXPENDITURES IN FY 99.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 5.

TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND IN ACCORDANCE WITH M.G.L.CH.44,SEC 53E 1/2 TO ACCOUNT FOR THE REVENUE AND EXPENSES RELATED TO THE OPERATION OF THE F.R.T.A. TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM IN ORANGE, SUCH FUND TO BE UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000 IN EXPENDITURES IN FY 99.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 6.

TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND IN ACCORDANCE WITH M.G.L.CH.44.SEC.53E 1/2 TO ACCOUNT FOR THE PURPOSES OF PAYING THE COSTS INCURRED BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR RESPONSE TO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCIDENTS, AND TO WHICH SHALL BE CREDITED ALL FIRE DEPARTMENT RECEIPTS IN CONNECTION WITH HAZARDOUS MATERIAL INCIDENTS,SUCH FUND TO BE UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND SHALL BE USED FOR SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT,CLOTHING. VEHICLE RESPONSE AND TRAINING, AND NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000 IN EXPENDITURES IN FY 99.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 7.

TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND IN ACCORDANCE WITH M.G..CH.44,SEC.53D TO ACCOUNT FOR THE REVENUE AND EXPENSES RELATED TO THE OPERATION OF A SKATE PARK IN ORANGE. SUCH FUND TO BE UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000 IN EXPENDITURES IN FY99.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 8

TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$4,000 TO PROVIDE FIRST YEAR OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE COSTS FOR A SKATE PARK IN ORANGE, SUCH BUDGET TO BE UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

VOTED

ARTICLE 9.

PASSED OVER (REIMBURSEMENT FUNDS OF SCHOOL DEPT.)

ARTICLE 10.

TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO APPLY FOR AND EXPEND STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE A TOWN APPROPRIATION.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 11.

VOTED TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO APPLY FOR AND EXPEND STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS WHICH REQUIRE TOWN APPROPRIATION, SUBJECT TO TOWN APPROVAL OF THE EXPENDITURE OF THOSE FUNDS..

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 12.

VOTED TO SET THE SALARY COMPENSATION OF ALL ELECTED OFFICERS OF THE TOWN AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 108, CHAPTER 41, GENERAL LAWS, TO BE MADE EFFECTIVE FROM JULY 1,1998, AS CONTAINED IN THE BUDGET.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 13.

VOTED TO PAY THE TREE WARDEN \$100.00 SALARY FROM THE TREE DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION IN THE BUDGET AND THE FURTHER SUM OF \$7.75 PER HOUR FOR ALL TIME THAT HE SHALL EXPEND IN ACTUAL LABOR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS DEPARTMENT.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 14.

VOTED THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$13,355,844 FOR THE PURPOSES OF FUNDING THE TOWN BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1999, WITH EACH LINE IN THE PRESENTED BUDGET TO BE CONSIDERED SEPARATE:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1998-1999
MODERATOR'S SALARY	\$ 100.00
SELECTMEN'S SALARIES	\$ 5,000.00
SELECTMEN'S EXPENSE	\$ 3,590.00
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR SALARY	\$36,951.00
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR EXPENSE	\$21,210.00
FINANCE COMMITTEE EXPENSE	\$ 500.00
RESERVE FUND	\$50,000.00
TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S SALARY	\$35,875.00
TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSE	\$ 3,690.00
AUDIT OF TOWN ACCOUNTS	\$ 7,650.00
ASSESSOR'S SALARIES	\$ 5,000.00
ASSESSOR'S EXPENSE	\$31,570.00
TREASURER'S SALARY	\$28,700.00
TREASURER'S EXPENSE	\$19,341.00
COLLECTOR'S SALARY	\$25,625.00
COLLECTOR'S EXPENSE	\$22,535.00
TOWN COUNSEL	\$20,000.00
HUMAN RESOURCE BOARD	\$ 500.00
GENERAL OFFICE EXPENSE	\$23,875.00
TOWN CLERK'S SALARY	\$25,625.00
TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSE	\$ 2,560.00
ELECTION & REGISTRATION	\$12,285.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION EXPENSE	\$ 800.00
PLANNING BOARD EXPENSE	\$ 1,350.00
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS	\$ 400.00
TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE	\$19,105.00
TOWN REPORTS	\$ 2,000.00
ARMORY MAINTENANCE	\$28,539.00
TOTAL GENERAL GOV	\$434,376.00.

PUBLIC SAFETY

POLICE SALARIES & WAGES	\$535,201.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT EXPENSE	\$ 39,057.00
POLICE CAR MAINTENANCE	\$ 16,300.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT SALARIES & WAGES	\$250,123.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT EXPENSE	\$ 49,480.00
FIRE ALARM MAINTENANCE	\$ 14,080.00
FOREST FIRE MAINTENANCE	\$ 5,180.00
AMBULANCE	\$ 90,774.00
BUILDING INSPECTOR SALARY	\$ 36,951.00
BUILDING INSPECTOR EXPENSE	\$ 4,300.00
GAS-FITTING INSPECTOR	\$ 1,000.00
PLUMBING INSPECTOR	\$ 3,750.00
SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES	\$ 650.00
ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR SALARY	\$ 10,580.00
ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR EXPENSE	\$ 830.00
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS SALARY	\$ 500.00
DOG CONTROL COSTS	\$ 10,030.00
TREE DEPARTMENT	\$ 7,500.00

TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY \$1,076,286.00

EDUCATION

ORANGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	\$ 5,336,688.00
R. C. MAHAR REGIONAL SCHOOL ASSESSMENT	\$ 2,281,303.00
FRANKLIN COUNTY VOC. TECH. ASSESSMENT	\$ 458,621.00

TOTAL EDUCATION \$ 8,076,612.00

PUBLIC WORKS

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT SALARY	\$ 38,535.00
HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION	\$ 28,475.00
HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE & CONSTRUCTION	\$ 190,148.00
SNOW & ICE	\$ 91,000.00
STREET LIGHTS	\$ 22,460.00
FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DIST.	\$ 3,800.00
SANITATION	\$ 343,261.00
SEWER DEPARTMENT EXPENSE	\$ 33,475.00
WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT EXPENSE	\$ 197,294.00
WATER COMMISSIONERS' SALARIES	\$ 900.00
WATER DEPARTMENT SALARIES & WAGES	\$ 133,537.00
WATER DEPARTMENT EXPENSE	\$ 148,069.00
WATER DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT	\$ 25,500.00
TULLY WATER	\$ 15,000.00
AIRPORT ADMINISTRATION	\$ 3,850.00
AIRPORT BLDG. & EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$ 8,550.00
AIRPORT MAINTENANCE	\$ 6,560.00
AIRPORT MANAGER'S SALARY	\$ 25,625.00
AIRPORT AVIATION GAS SALES	\$ 84,124.00
CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS' SALARIES	\$ 600.00
CEMETERY DEPARTMENT EXPENSE	\$ 68,725.00

TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES \$ 1,469,488.00

HUMAN SERVICES:

BOARD OF HEALTH SALARIES	\$ 300.00
BOARD OF HEALTH EXPENSE	\$ 32,554.00
COUNCIL ON AGING	\$ 12,007.00
VETERANS' SERVICES ADMINISTRATION	\$ 8,771.00
VETERANS' BENEFITS	\$ 70,000.00

TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES \$123,632.00

CULTURE AND RECREATION:

LIBRARY	\$ 183,677.00
PARKS	\$ 14,740.00
HISTORICAL COMMISSION	\$ 500.00

TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION \$ 198,917.00

DEBT SERVICE:

WATER REHAB PROJECT DEBT ('99)	\$ 25,000.00
AIRPARK INDUSTRIAL PARK DEBT('03,'11)	\$ 18,700.00
NEW SCHOOL DEBT ('09,'10)	\$ 318,160.00
LANDFILL ENGINEERING SHARED WITH ATHOL	\$ 10,970.00
LANDFILL ENGINEERING ORANGE COSTS	\$ 20,230.00
FRONT-END LOADER DEBT ('99)	\$ 13,800.00
ONGOING LANDFILL ENGINEERING ('01)	\$ 12,000.00
TRAILERS, TRANSFER STATION ('01)	\$ 20,000.00
CRUISER, FIRE ALARMS, TOWN HALL,RADIOS,TRUCK('2)	\$ 39,000.00
WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT TRUCK	\$ 8,000.00
WATER PIPE-RIVER CROSSING ('06)	\$ 51,000.00
FIRE ENGINE ('08)	\$ 15,000.00
LANDFILL CAP & CLOSE ('18)	\$ 60,000.00
SEWER FACILITIES STUDY ('18)	\$ 9,046.00
BROOKSIDE SEWER PROJECT ('08)	\$ 19,000.00
LONG-TERM INTEREST, NEW SCHOOL	\$ 156,255.00
LONG-TERM INTEREST, WATER PROJECTS	\$ 18,691.00
LONG-TERM INTEREST, ALL OTHER	\$ 38,002.00
SHORT-TERM AND OTHER INTEREST	\$ 101,000.00

TOTAL DEBT SERVICE \$ 953,854.00

INSURANCE AND MISCELLANEOUS:

FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT	\$216,906.00
FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT ASSES.	\$ 31,201.00
GENERAL TOWN INSURANCE	\$103,275.00
WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE	\$ 40,000.00
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	\$ 20,000.00
MEDICARE INSURANCE TAX COSTS	\$ 57,000.00
GROUP HEALTH & LIFE INSURANCE	\$ 554,297.00

TOTAL INSURANCE & MISC. \$1,022,679.00

GRAND TOTAL \$13,355,844.00

ARTICLE PASSED

ARTICLE 15:
NON BINDING QUESTION ABOUT THE PUTNAM OPERA HOUSE
FAILED NO 78 YES 65

ARTICLE 16:
TO CHANGE SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS TO SATURDAY MORNINGS.
FAILED

ARTICLE 17:
QUARTERLY TAX PAYMENTS
PASSED OVER

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:05PM UNTIL MONDAY MAY 11 AT 7:00PM.

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MAY 11,1998**

MEETING RECONVENED AT 7:00PM WITH A QUORUM PRESENT.

ARTICLE 18:
MOTION TO RESCIND QUORUM BYLAW
FAILED

ARTICLE 19:
VOTED TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$10,000 TO BEGIN PROJECT OF RESTORING STREET
LIGHTING TO CERTAIN AREAS OF TOWN, AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF
SELECTMEN.
PASSED

ARTICLE 20:
VOTED TO TRANSFER \$35,000 FROM THE STABILIZATION FUND TO REMOVE AND REPLACE
THE BOILER, PIPING AND FUEL TANK IN THE ARMORY BUILDING.
PASSED

ARTICLE 21:
VOTED TO SELL OR TRADE ONE LOADER WITH BACK HOE AND TRANSFER \$24,146 FROM
CURRENT YEAR APPROPRIATION FOR TWO HIGHWAY TRUCK CHASSIS AND
\$48,166 FROM THE STABILIZATION FUND TO PURCHASE A LOADER WITH BACK HOE FOR
THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.
PASSED

ARTICLE 22:
VOTED TO TRANSFER \$10,000 FROM THE STABILIZATION FUND TO PURCHASE MATERIALS
TO SUPPLEMENT AND UPDATE THE COLLECTION AT MOORE-LELAND LLIBRARY.
VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 23:
VOTED TO TRANSFER \$5,000 FROM THE STABILIZATION FUND TO PURCHASE HARDWARE,
SOFTWARE AND FURNITURE FOR A COMPUTER WORKSTATION IN THE CHILDREN'S ROOM
AT THE LIBRARY.
VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 24:

VOTED TO TRANSFER \$23,000 FROM THE STABILIZATION FUND TO REMOVE AN UNDERGROUND FUEL STORAGE TANK AND INSTALL A NEW ABOVE GROUND TANK AT THE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

PASSED

ARTICLE 25:

VOTED TO SELL OR TRADE ONE TRACTOR AND TRANSFER \$20,000 FROM THE STABILIZATION FUND TO PURCHASE A COMPACT TRACTOR WITH BACK HOE FOR THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 26:

VOTED TO TRANSFER \$8,000 FROM STABILAZATION FUND TO PLACE VINYL SIDING ON THE POLICE DEPARTMENT BUILDING.

PASSED

ARTICLE 27:

VOTED TO TRANSFER \$16,000 FROM THE STABILIZATION FUND TO RELOCATE A PORTION OF AND PURCHASE A NEW EXTENSION OF THE VEHICLE EXHAUST TRACK SYSTEM IN THE BAYS OF THE WATER STREET FIRE STATION.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 28:

VOTED TO TRANSFER \$10,000 FROM THE STABILIZATION FUND TO REWIRE PORTIONS OF THE ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS IN THE WATER STREET AND TULLY FIRE STATIONS.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 29:

VOTED TO SELL, TRADE OR KEEP THE EXISTING SKID LOADER AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, AND TRANSFER \$25,000 FROM THE STABILIZATION FUND TO PURCHASE A SKID STEER LOADER FOR THE SANITATION DEPARTMENT.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 30:

VOTED TO TRANSFER \$25,000 FROM THE STABILIZATION FUND TO REMOVE AND REPLACE THE BOILER, PIPING AND INSTALL ABOVE GROUND FUEL TANKS AT THE TOWN HALL.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 31:

VOTED TO TRANSFER \$10,000 FROM THE STABILIZATION FUND FOR ELECTRIC REWIRING AND THE INSTALLATION OF ENERGY EFFICIENT LIGHTING IN THE TOWN HALL.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 32:

VOTED TO SELL OR TRADE ONE PICKUP TRUCK AND TRANSFER \$20,000 FROM WATER SURPLUS TO REPLACE A PICKUP TRUCK FOR THE WATER DEPARTMENT.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 33:

VOTED TO TRANSFER \$20,000 FROM WATER SURPLUS TO PURCHASE TELEMETERING EQUIPMENT FOR THE WATER DEPARTMENT.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 34:

VOTED TO TRANSFER \$25,000 FROM WATER SURPLUS TO REPLACE WATER SERVICES AND HYDRANTS FOR THE WATER DEPARTMENT.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 35:

VOTED TO TRANSFER \$10,000 FROM THE STABILIZATION FUND TO PROVIDE ASPHALT AND FENCING ON EAST RIVER STREET FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A SKATE PARK.

PASSED

ARTICLE 36:

PASSED OVER.(TO AMEND ARTICLE 32 OF MAY 1992 ATM.)

ARTICLE 37:

VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ROAD KNOWN AS CENTER DRIVE, SAID VOTE CONTINGENT ON PROPERTY OWNERS ABUTTING THE ROADWAY AND OR OWNERS OF THE ROADWAY AGREEING TO PLACE IN ESCROW OR PROVIDE BY OTHER MEANS ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE TOWN'S ACCEPTANCE OF SAID ROADWAY INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO LEGAL ENGINEERING, INSPECTION AND CONSTRUCTION UPGRADE TO STANDARDS CONSISTENT WITH THE TOWN OF ORANGE PLANNING BOARD RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE SUBDIVISION OF LAND AND IN CONFORMITY WITH THE MASS. HIGHWAY DESIGN MANUAL AS UPDATED TO PRESENT YEAR AND DESCRIBED IN CHAPTER 8.8.1 THROUGH 8.3.2.10.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 38:

VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ROAD KNOWN AS BARTLETT LANE, SAID VOTE CONTINGENT ON PROPERTY OWNERS ABUTTING THE ROADWAY AND OR OWNERS OF THE ROADWAY AGREEING TO PLACE IN ESCROW OR PROVIDE BY OTHER MEANS ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE TOWN'S ACCEPTANCE OF SAID ROADWAY INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO LEGAL ENGINEERING, INSPECTION AND CONSTRUCTION UPGRADE TO STANDARDS CONSISTENT WITH THE TOWN OF ORANGE PLANNING BOARD RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE SUBDIVISION OF LAND AND IN CONFORMITY WITH THE MASS. HIGHWAY DESIGN MANUAL AS UPDATED TO PRESENT YEAR AND DESCRIBED IN CHAPTER 8.8.1 THROUGH 8.3.2.10.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 39:

VOTED TO ACCEPT THE ROAD KNOWN AS LAKE AVENUE, SAID VOTE CONTINGENT ON PROPERTY OWNERS ABUTTING THE ROADWAY AND OR OWNERS OF THE ROADWAY AGREEING TO PLACE IN ESCROW OR PROVIDE BY OTHER MEANS ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE TOWN'S ACCEPTANCE OF SAID ROADWAY INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO LEGAL ENGINEERING, INSPECTION AND CONSTRUCTION UPGRADE TO STANDARDS CONSISTENT WITH THE TOWN OF ORANGE PLANNING BOARD RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE SUBDIVISION OF LAND AND IN CONFORMITY WITH THE MASS. HIGHWAY DESIGN MANUAL AS UPDATED TO PRESENT YEAR AND DESCRIBED IN CHAPTER 8.8.1. THROUGH 8.3.2.10.

VOTE WAS YES 84 NO 35

ARTICLE 40:

FAILED (TO ACCEPT DANA, ENFIELD AND PRESCOTT LANE)

ARTICLE 41:
NO ACTION (WAS A PETITION ARTICLE ON TAX RATE)

ARTICLE 42:
NO ACTION (WAS A PETITION ARTICLE ON WATER RATE)

ARTICLE 43:
NO ACTION (WAS A PETITION ARTICLE ON CHAPTER 90 MONEY)

MEETING DISSOLVED AT 9:55PM

RECAPITULATION
TRANSFER FROM STABILIZATION FUND

TO

ARTICLE 20	\$ 35,000	REPLACE BOILER ETC AT ARMORY
ARTICLE 21	\$ 48,166	LOADER FOR HIGHWAY
ARTICLE 22	\$ 10,000	MOORE-LELAND LIBRARY
ARTICLE 23	\$ 5,000	HARDWARE ETC AT LIBRARY
ARTICLE 24	\$ 23,000	AIRPORT FOR REMOVING STORAGE TANK
ARTICLE 25	\$ 20,000	CEMETERY DEPT.
ARTICLE 26	\$ 8,000	POLICE DEPARTMENT
ARTICLE 27	\$ 16,000	FIRE DEPARTMENT
ARTICLE 28	\$ 10,000	FIRE DEPARTMENT
ARTICLE 29	\$ 25,000	SANITATION DEPARTMENT
ARTICLE 30	\$ 25,000	TOWN HALL
ARTICLE 31	\$ 10,000	TOWN HALL
ARTICLE 35	\$ 10,000	SKATE PARK

TRANSFER FROM WATER SURPLUS

ARTICLE 32	\$ 20,000	WATER DEPARTMENT
ARTICLE 33	\$ 20,000	WATER DEPARTMENT
ARTICLE 34	\$ 25,000	WATER DEPARTMENT

FROM CURRENT YEAR APPROPRIATION FOR 2 HIGHWAY TRUCK CHASSIS

ARTICLE 21	\$ 24,146	HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
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ARTICLES TO APPROPRIATE

ARTICLE 8	\$ 4,000	SKATE PARK
ARTICLE 19	\$ 10,000	RESTORE SOME STREET LIGHTS

A TRUE RECORD OF THE VOTES.

SHIRLEY L. PAGE, TOWN CLERK

**RECORD OF VOTES CAST AT STATE PRIMARY
SEPTEMBER 15,1998**

AT A LEGAL MEETING OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF ORANGE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS AND IN TOWN AFFAIRS, HELD IN THE ARMORY TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 15,1998 FROM 7:00AM TO 8:00PM IT WAS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:

12% VOTED 3759 REGISTERED VOTERS

TOTAL NUMBER OF BALLOTS CAST:		FOUR HUNDRED FORTY FIVE	445
DEMOCRAT	PRECINCT 1	ONE HUNDRED THREE	103
DEMOCRAT	PRECINCT 2	ONE HUNDRED THIRTY	130
REPUBLICAN	PRECINCT 1	ONE HUNDRED TWO	102
REPUBLICAN	PRECINCT 2	ONE HUNDRED TEN	110
REFORM			0

DEMOCRATIC VOTE

GOVERNOR			
DONNELLY		TWENTY	20
HARSHBARGER		ONE HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT	128
MCGOVERN		EIGHTY THREE	83
BLANK		TWO	2
		TOTAL	233

LT. GOVERNOR

KELLY GAY		ONE HUNDRED FOUR	104
TOLMAN		ONE HUNDRED	100
BLANK		TWENTY NINE	29
		TOTAL	233

ATTORNEY GENERAL

PINES		ONE HUNDRED NINE	109
REILLY		ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN	113
BLANK		ELEVEN	11
		TOTAL	233

SECRETARY OF STATE

GALVIN		ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY EIGHT	188
BLANK		FORTY FIVE	45
		TOTAL	233

TREASURER

O'BRIEN		ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY EIGHT	188
BLANK		FORTY FIVE	45
		TOTAL	233

AUDITOR

DENUCCI		ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY EIGHT	188
BLANK		FORTY FIVE	45
		TOTAL	233

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

OLVER		TWO HUNDRED FIVE	205
BLANK		TWENTY EIGHT	28
		TOTAL	233

COUNCILLOR

BERTONAZZI		EIGHTY TWO	82
MCMANUS		ONE HUNDRED THREE	103
BLANK		FORTY EIGHT	48

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT		
BREWER	TWO HUNDRED	200
BLANK	THIRTY THREE	33
	TOTAL	233
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT		
MERRIGAN	ONE HUNDRED NINETY THREE	193
BLANK	FORTY	140
	TOTAL	233
DISTRICT ATTORNEY		
BLANK	TWO HUNDRED THIRTY THREE	233
SHERIFF		
MACDONALD	ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT	178
BLANK	FIFTY FIVE	55
	TOTAL	233
REPUBLICAN VOTES		
GOVERNOR		
CELLUCCI	ONE HUNDRED THIRTY SIX	136
MALONE	SEVENTY FIVE	75
BLANK	ONE	1
	TOTAL	212
LT. GOVERNOR		
JEGHELIAN	FIFTY SIX	56
SWIFT	ONE HUNDRED FORTY SIX	146
BLANK	TEN	10
	TOTAL	212
ATTORNEY GENERAL		
BAILEY	ONE HUNDRED FIFTY SIX	156
BLANK	FIFTY SIX	56
	TOTAL	212
SECRETARY OF STATE		
JENKINS, JR.	ONE HUNDRED FIFTY	150
BLANK	SIXTY TWO	62
	TOTAL	212
TREASURER		
MAGINN	ONE HUNDRED FIFTY SEVEN	157
BLANK	FIFTY FIVE	55
	TOTAL	212
AUDITOR		
DUFFY	ONE HUNDRED FIFTY EIGHT	158
BLANK	FIFTY FOUR	54
	TOTAL	212
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS		
MORGAN	ONE HUNDRED FIFTY ONE	151
BLANK	SIXTY ONE	61
	TOTAL	212
COUNCILLOR		
BLANK	TWO HUNDRED TWELVE	212
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT		
BLANK	TWO HUNDRED TWELVE	212

	REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT	
BLANK	TWO HUNDRED TWELVE	212
DISTRICT ATTORNEY		
SCHEIBEL	ONE HUNDRED SIXTY ONE	161
BLANK	FIFTY ONE	51
	TOTAL	212
SHERIFF		
BLANK	TWO HUNDRED TWELVE	212

A TRUE RECORD OF THE VOTES:

SHIRLEY L. PAGE. TOWN CLERK

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING SEPTEMBER 28,1998

MEETING OPENED AT 7:05PM WITH A QUORUM PRESENT.

ARTICLE 1:

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROPRIATE \$326,095 FROM CHAPTER 11 OF THE ACTS OF 1997 FOR CHAPTER 90 TYPE PROJECTS.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 2:

VOTED TO APPROVE THE PROJECT CERTIFICATION APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY INNOVATIVE CEREAL PRODUCTS, INC. FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THEIR FACILITY WITHIN THE SAVE ORANGE ECONOMIC OPPRTUNITY AREA.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 3:

VOTED TO TRANSFER \$127.50 FROM CURRENT YEAR APPROPRIATION FOR TOWN COUNSEL AND \$73.84 FROM CURRENT YEAR APPROPRIATION FOR AMBULANCE TO PAY UNPAID BILLS FOR PRIOR YEAR.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 4:

MOTION WAS MADE TO DIVIDE THIS ARTICLE SO EACH PART COULD BE VOTED ON SEPARATE. SO VOTED

VOTED TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$29,545, ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE ORANGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUDGET.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

VOTED TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$47,366, ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE R.C. MAHAR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSESSMENT.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 5:

VOTED TO TRANSFER \$13,000 FROM THE CURRENT YEAR APPROPRIATION FOR GENERAL TOWN INSURANCE TO THE CURRENT YEAR APPROPRIATION FOR TOWN ADMINISTRATOR SALARY..

PASSED

ARTICLE 6:

VOTED TO PASS OVER (CONTRACT)

ARTICLE 7:

VOTED TO PASS OVER (CONTRACT)

ARTICLE 8:

VOTED TO DESIGNATE A SECTION OF TOWN OWNED LAND, AS DESCRIBED BELOW, TO BE USED FOR THE SITE OF A FIRE STATION IN TULLY.

LOT TO BE LOCATED ON TULLY RD BEGINNING AT THE EXISTING CORNER OF TOWN OWNED PROPERTY AND PROPERTY LISTED AS LOT 7-5 BELONGING TO RAYMOND J. AND ARLENE RIVERS EXTENDING WESTERLY 300 FEET MORE OR LESS ALONG THAT LINE AND LINE OF LOT 7-2 OWNED BY WILLIAM C. AND CARLIE E. GAIDA. THEN EXTENDING NORTHERLY 300 FEET MORE OR LESS THEN EXTENDING EASTERLY 300 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT ON TULLY ROAD 300 FEET IN THE NORTHERLY DIRECTION FROM STARTING POINT.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 9:

VOTED TO ACCEPT A PARCEL OF LAND, BEING A PORTION OF A TRACT OF LAND LYING IN THE SOUTHERLY PART OF ORANGE, ON THE DANIEL SHAY HIGHWAY, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT AN IRON PIN LOCATED ON THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF DANIEL SHAY HIGHWAY. SAID IRON PIN ALSO BEING LOCATED ON THE NORTHERLY LINE OF EAGLEVILLE RD;

THENSE RUNNING IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF THE DANIEL SHAY HIGHWAY 110 FEET TO A POINT, SAID POINT BEING LOCATED ON THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF DANIEL SHAY HIGHWAY; THENCE RUNNING N36 DEGREE 34'25"W ALONG LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF ALLAN A. GUTMOND AND MAJORIE H GUTMOND 106.19 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTHERLY LINE OF EAGLEVILLE RD; THENCE RUNNING N82DEGREES-35'W ALONG THE NORTHERLY LINE OF EAGLEVILLE RD FOR A DISTANCE OF 152.89 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PARCEL CONSISTING OF 0.13 ACRES.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 10:

PASSED OVER (RESERVE FUND TRANSFER)

ARTICLE 11:

VOTED TO AMEND THE VOTE TAKEN ON ARTICLE 4 OF THE MARCH 23,1998 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING RECORDED AS FOLLOWS:

THAT THE TOWN TRANSFER \$25,000 FROM SURPLUS REVENUE TO PAY BILLS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND SUBMITTAL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION RESPONDING TO CONTAMINATION IDENTIFIED DURING UNDER GROUND STORAGE TANK REMOVALS AT THE EAST RIVER ST HIGHWAY BARN BY DELETING "THE EAST RIVER ST HIGHWAY BARN"

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 12:
VOTED TO TRANSFER \$156,000 FROM STABILIZATION TO FUND THE WEST MAIN STREET SEWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 13:
VOTED TO AMEND SECTION 11: USE AND DIMENSIONAL REGULATIONS OF THE TOWN OF ORANGE ZONING BYLAWS AS APPROVED BY THE ORANGE PLANNING BOARD AT PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD MAY 12,1998 AND FILED WITH THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK, AS FOLLOWS; UNDER 2231 RESIDENTIAL USES ADD:

	A(r)	A(c)	B	C	D
STORAGE TRAILERS	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 14:
VOTED TO AMEND SECTION V1: DEFINITIONS OF THE TOWN OF ORANGE ZONTNG BY-LAW AS APPROVED BY THE ORANGE PLANNING BOARD AT A PUBLIC HEARING HELD MAY 12,1998 AND FILED WITH THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK, BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS, AS FOLLOWS:

- 6165 STORAGE TRAILERS SHALL MEAN A UNIT ON A CHASSIS, ORIGINALLY DESIGNED FOR TRANSPORTING MATERIALS.
- 6132 MOBILE OFFICE SHALL MEAN A UNIT ON A CHASSIS, DESIGNED FOR CONNECTION TO UTILITIES WHEN IN USE, AND DESIGNED WITHOUT NECESSITY OF A PERMANENT FOUNDATION.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 15:
VOTED TO AMEND SECTION 111: GENERAL REGULATIONS OF THE TOWN OF ORANGE ZONING BY-LAW AS APPROVED BY TH ORANGE PLANNING BOARD AT A PUBLIC HEARING HELD MAY 12,1998 AND FILED WITH THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK, BY ADDING **STORAGE TRAILER USED IN EXCESS OF 12 MONTHS** TO 3331, SO IT READS:

3331 FOR CONTRACTOR'S YARDS, OPEN STORAGE AND LOADING, SERVICE YARDS, OUTDOOR SALES DISPLAY AREAS, AND STORAGE TRAILERS USED IN EXCESS OF 12 MONTHS, MUST BE SCREENED FROM ANY ABUTTING RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE BY A WALL, FENCE, OR DENSELY PLANTED TREES SUFFICIENT TO RESTRICT VIEW OF THE AREA FROM THE RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 16:

VOTED TO AMEND SECTION 11: USE AND DIMENSIONAL REGULATIONS OF THE TOWN OF ORANGE ZONING BY-LAW AS APPROVED BY THE PLANNING BOARD AT A PUBLIC HEARING HELD MAY 12,1998 AND FILED WITH THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK, BY ADDING

2237 MOBILE OFFICES ARE ALLOWED IN ALL DISTRICTS WHERE OFFICE USES ARE ALLOWED FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED 12 MONTHS, OR WITH AN EXTENTION AND WRITTEN APPROVAL OF BUILDING INSPECTOR IN CONJUNCTION WITH VALID BUILDING PERMIT.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 17:

VOTED TO AMEND SECTION 1V: SPECIAL REGULATIONS, SECTION 4400 WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT OF THE TOWN OF ORANGE ZONING BY-LAW AS APPROVED BY THE ORANGE PLANNING BOARD AT A PUBLIC HEARING HELD MAY 12,1998 AND FILED WITH THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK, AS FOLLOWS:

ADD TO 4442 ACCESSORY USES:
ABOVE GROUND STORAGE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIAL OR PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.....N
EXCEPT THAT WHEN STORED IN A MANNER WHICH MEETS THE CITED STORAGE
CRITERIA OF MA DRINKING WATER REGULATIONS 310 CMR 22.21 (2) (b) 5 AND 22.21.(2)
(b)7D.....SP

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 18:

VOTED TO AMEND THE TOWN OF ORANGE ZONING BY-LAW TO INCLUDE A ZONING BYLAW FOR PERSONAL WIRELESS SERVICE FACILITIES AS APPROVED BY THE ORANGE PLANNING BOARD AT A PUBLIC HEARING HELD MAY 12,1998 AND FILED WITH THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK. COPIES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE TOWN HALL.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 19:

NO MOTION WAS MADE. THIS WAS A PETITION ARTICLE TO ACCEPT AND MAINTAIN DANA RD,PRESOTT LN, AND ENFIELD RD AS TOWN ROADS. TOWN COUNSEL EXPLAINED WHAT HAS TO BE DONE TO GET THESE ROADS ACCEPTED.

ARTICLE 20:

VOTED TO CONTINUE SPENDING FUNDS FOR WORK AT PROPERTY LOCATED ON SOUTH MAIN ST, ORANGE, MAP 15, PARCEL 8, KNOWN AS RANDALLS POND AND DIRECT THE SELECTBOARD, EDIC, AND AIRPORT COMMISSION TO THEN PROCEED WITH WORK AT THE ORANGE AIRPORT FOR INDUSTRIAL DEVEOPMESNT.

PASSED

MEETING DISSOLVED AT 9:00PM.

ARTICLE TO APPROPRIATE FROM CHAPTER 11 OF ACTS 1997

ARTICLES TO TRANSFER FROM CURRENT YEAR APPROPRIATIONS

FOR UNPAID BILLS OF PRIOR YEAR.

ARTICLE 5	\$13,000	TOWN ADM. SALARY
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ARTICLE 12	\$156,000	W.MAIN ST.,SEWER PROECT
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ARTICLE 4	\$29,545	ORANGE ELEM. SCHOOL
	\$47,366	MAHAR REG. ASSESSMENT

SHIRLEY L. PAGE, TOWN CLERK

**RECORD OF VOTES CAST AT STATE ELECTION
NOVEMBER 3,1998**

AT A LEGAL MEETING OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF ORANGE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS AND IN TOWN AFFAIRS, HELD IN THE ARMORY TUESDAY NOVEMBER 3,1998 FROM 7:00AM TO 8:00PM IT WAS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:

53% VOTED	REGISTERED VOTERS 3812	VOTED 2020
PRECINCT 1 1001		
PRECINCT 2 1020		
GOVERNOR/LT. GOVERNOR		
CELLUCCI/SWIFT	ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIX	1106
HARSHBARGER/TOLMAN	EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY SIX	836
COOK/ISRAEL	FORTY THREE	43
BLANK	THIRTY TWO	32
ALL OTHERS	THREE	3
		2020
ATTORNEY GENERAL		
BRAD BAILEY	EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY THREE	843
THOMAS F. REILLY	ONE THOUSAND NINETY SIX	1096
BLANKS	EIGHTY ONE	81
		2020
SECRETARY OF STATE		
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN	TWELVE HUNDRED THIRTY NINE	1239
DALE C. JENKINS, JR.	SIX HUNDRED FOUR	604
DAVID L. ATKINSON	EIGHTY SEVEN	87
BLANKS	NINETY	90
		2020
TREASURER		
BOB MAGINN	SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY FOUR	764
SHANNON P. O'BRIEN	TEN HUNDRED FIFTY TWO	1052
MERTON BAKER	ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE	125
BLANKS	SEVENTY NINE	2020
AUDITOR		
A. JOSEPH DENUCCI	ELEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY FOUR	1124
MICHAEL T. DUFFY	SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY THREE	673
CARLA A. HOWELL	ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FOUR	124
BLANKS	NINETY NINE	99
		2020
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS		
JOHN W. OLVER	THIRTEEN HUNDRED FORTY TWO	1342
GREGORY L. MORGAN	SIX HUNDRED THIRTY SIX	636
BLANKS	FORTY TWO	42
		2020
COUNCILLOR		
DENNIS P. MCMANUS	FIFTEEN HUNDRED TWENTY ONE	1521
ROACH	ONE	1
O'BRIEN	ONE	1
BLANKS	FOUR HUNDRED NINETY SEVEN	497
		2020

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT		
STEPHEN BREWER	SIXTEEN HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN	1687
BLANKS	THREE HUNDRED THIRTY THREE	333
		2020
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT		
MERRIGAN	SIXTEEN HUNDRED TWENTY	1620
BLANK	FOUR HUNDRED	400
		2020
DISTRICT ATTORNEY		
ELIZABETH D. SCHEIBEL	FIFTEEN HUNDRED NINETEEN	1519
KARL BITTENBENDER	ONE	1
TOM JONES	ONE	1
BLANKS	FOUR HUNDRED NINETY NINE	499
		2020
SHERIFF		
FRED MACDONALD	FIFTEEN HUNDRED EIGHTY TWO	1582
BESHAI	SIX	6
FLYNN	ONE	1
BRISSETT	ONE	1
BLANKS	FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY	430
		2020
COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT		
GAWLE	NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE	975
HAMMOCK	FOURTEEN HUNDRED FORTY SEVEN	1447
PETER ANDERSON	ONE	1
O'BRIEN	ONE	1
ANN WATSON	ONE	1
BREWINGTON	ONE	1
BLANK	SIXTEEN HUNDRED FOURTEEN	1614
		4040
QUESTION 1: (COMPENSATION OF STATE LEGISLATORS)		
YES	TWELVE HUNDRED FORTY TWO	1242
NO	SIX HUNDRED FORTY ONE	641
BLANKS	ONE HUNDRED THIRTY SEVEN	137
		2020
QUESTION 2: (PUBLIC CAMPAIGN FINANCING)		
YES	ELEVEN HUNDRED FORTY TWO	1142
NO	SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY SIX	626
BLANK	ONE HUNDRED FIFTY TWO	152
		2020
QUESTION 3:(TAX RATE ON INTEREST & DIVIDEND INCOME)		
YES	FOURTEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY THREE	1473
NO	THREE HUNDRED NINETY ONE	391
BLANKS	ONE HUNDRED FIFTY SIX	156
		2020
QUESTION 4(ELECTRIC UTILITY INDUSTRY RESTRUCTURING)		
YES	FIFTEEN HUNDRED FIFTYSIX	1556
NO	THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN	387
BLANKS	SEVENTY SEVEN	77
		2020
A TRUE RECORD OF ALL VOTES.		
SHIRLEY L. PAGE. TOWN CLERK		

ORANGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

4 West Main Street
Orange, Massachusetts 1364

The 1998 Report of the Superintendent of Schools

On behalf of the Orange Elementary School Committee, I hereby submit my seventh annual report.

Education Reform

The long-lasting effects of the 1993 Education Reform Act continue to be felt throughout public educational institutions in Massachusetts. This year the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) testing program became a reality. All public school fourth grade students spent more than seventeen hours in May taking tests in English and Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science and Technology. The tests had many open-ended and essay questions, requiring most of the summer to score. Results were finally released to the schools in December. Orange fourth graders' scores were close to State averages in all three tests.

The development and adoption of Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks has had a strong effect on what and how we teach. Massachusetts' historical preference for local control has given way to a statewide standardization of curriculum and an intense testing program to measure the extent to which school systems are adhering to the frameworks and how well our students are learning. Orange teachers have spent considerable professional development time developing curriculum guides and materials that will bring us in line with state goals. They also have attended training sessions put on by the Department of Education and other providers, and participated in an afterschool math course which was given in Orange.

The Curriculum Frameworks and MCAS tests make it clear that Massachusetts children are not to be taught only to memorize facts and procedures, but must become problem solvers and critical thinkers, capable of research, analysis and evaluation and able to explain the reasoning that led to their conclusions.

Early Childhood

Two significant changes have occurred in our programs for preschoolers. In January, we received a state grant that funded a full day, full year class for three and four-year-olds. The purpose of this program is to provide a class where working parents could leave their children as early as 7:30 a.m. and pick them up as late as 5:30 p.m. This class filled quickly and has always had a waiting list.

The addition of a fourth preschool classroom happened at the same time the Dexter Park School was experiencing a population bulge, making it necessary to find a new location for two classrooms. This need was met by moving two classes of preschoolers to the Gale Brooks School in Tully, where they share that building with the Franklin County Headstart program.

Technology

This year saw the completion of the networking of computers in all three schools and connection to the internet. Students are learning many ways to use computers as tools for learning. Teachers have had training in a variety of computer uses, including word processing, spreadsheets, graphing and the sixth-grade Lego Dacta program.

Expanded Programs

In addition to an increase in the length of the school day, more and more of our students stay after school for tutoring, mini-courses, and a variety of community programs, including 4H, scouting, soccer, basketball, and cheerleading. Many of these programs continue in the summer, and are timed so that students can also take advantage of the summer breakfast and lunch programs.

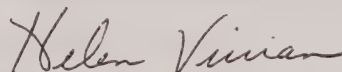
Maintenance

Our biggest project this year was the conversion of the electric wing at the Dexter Park School to oil heat, using a \$200,000 grant from the Foundation Reserve Fund. New units were installed in each of the classrooms in the new wing and in the portable classrooms. The classroom work was completed during summer vacation when school was not in session.

An unauthorized building program, the construction of a beaver dam and the resulting lake next to the school, has created a need to cut down a number of trees which presented a danger to the school. While the beavers' work has enriched our science curriculum, it has added some unanticipated maintenance challenges.

Creating a more subtle demand on our maintenance resources is the increasing amount of time our students are in the schools in the late afternoon, evenings and summers and the heavy use of our buildings throughout the year by community groups. Even with three gymnasiums, we are unable to meet the requests of every group that wants to use the facilities.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Helen Vivian".

Dr. Helen Vivian
Superintendent of Schools

Annual Report
Forty fourth Annual Report of the
Ralph C. Mahar Regional School
District Committee

Year Ending December 31, 1998

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

		Term Expires
Linda James	New Salem	1999
Vicki Autio	Orange	1999
Peter Cross	Orange	2001
Clifford Fournier	Orange	2000
Diane Pond	Orange	1999
Ann Reed	Orange	2000
Charlotte Ryan	Orange	2001
Dennis Velard	Orange	1999
Dana Kennan	Petersham	2000
Michael LeBlanc	Petersham	1999
Jean Forward	Wendell	1999

STUDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Brian Eno	Andrew Popham	Sara Roy
Minal Patel	Amelia Potter	

Eileen M. Perkins, Superintendent

Carolyn U. Manley, District Treasurer

Robin L. Hurt, Assistant Treasurer

Office Hours: 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Office Telephone: 978-544-2920

AT A MEETING OF THE RALPH C. MAHAR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD ON JANUARY 26, 1999, IT WAS VOTED TO ACCEPT THE REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND ADOPT IT AS THE REPORT OF THE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

To the members of the Ralph C. Mahar Regional School Committee and the voters of the Ralph C. Mahar Regional School District, I herewith submit my Annual Report as Superintendent.

The report to the Ralph C. Mahar Regional School District Committee covers the period January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998. As such, all reports cover the final half of the 1997-1998 Fiscal Year and the first half of the 1998-1999 Fiscal Year.

GRANTS

The efforts of staff members, coordinated by Grant Writer Bruce Jones, have resulted in the District receiving Grants totalling \$222,294.00 for the 1998-1999 school year. This has allowed for programs and services to be implemented that otherwise would not be funded.

These Grants consisted of the following:

Dwight D. Eisenhower Grant (\$3,333.00) for Professional Development.

Essential Skills: Learning Together Grant (\$2,449.00).

Health Protection Grant (\$16,894.00) funds part of the cost of the Health Program.

PALMS Phase II Grant (\$3,023.00) dedicated to the Math and Science departments.

Project PACE, Special Education Entitlement, P.L. 94-142, Grant (\$72,480.00) defrays cost of some Special Needs services.

Safe and Drug Free Schools Grant (\$3,708.00) to educate against violence and drug abuse.

Safe Schools for Gay and Lesbian Youth Program for the State of Massachusetts (\$2,000.00) used to educate against harassment of gay and lesbian youth.

SCORE Training Grant (\$3,150.00) to train Peer Mediators

SPED Supporting Access to the Curriculum Grant (\$3,265.00) for SPED Curriculum Frameworks.

Technology Training and Professional Development Grant (\$11,295.00)

Title I Language Arts Grant (\$96,396.00) provides a remediation program for students achieving below level in Language Arts.

A Title VI Grant (\$4,311.00) to purchase and install network interface cards to connect 16 workstations to the network.

PERSONNEL

Steven Blinder, Pamela Dickson, Wesley Phillipson, Laurie Sanchez, and Jason Woodcock, all members of the teaching staff resigned their positions for employment elsewhere. Non-teaching staff who resigned include Cynthia Bond, Jacqueline Brousseau, Ineabelle Perez, Jared Raymond, and Katherine Erwin. Judy Monagle, Library Aide, retired as did Ruth O'Loughlin, long time aide in the Special Needs Department.

New hires include Mathematics teacher Brian Field, Art teachers Linda Ganson and David Wissman, English teacher Laurie Malloy, Social Studies teacher Brian Meehan, Music teacher John Nimchick, Middle School Science teacher Lawrence Poirier, and Special Needs teacher Christine Kowacki. New teacher aides include Karen Bastarache, Tina Berry, Serina Cullen, Rita Jean, Christine Raymond, and Laura Suhoski.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

The building maintenance and custodial staff continue to do a remarkable job in keeping the buildings a safe and pleasant environment.

Plumbing

Sink faucets were replaced, repairs were made to toilet wall gaskets and water line shut-offs. the air regulator for the metal shop air compressor was upgraded with a larger unit.

Heating System

The original steam traps throughout the building were replaced with new ones which will greatly improve system efficiency and result in savings on fuel oil. The hot water temperature regulators were replaced, as was the condensate return tank in the boiler room. The high pressure and the heating system condensate return stations under the kitchen were completely rebuilt, and a modine heater in the metal shop had to be replaced.

Environment

An independent firm, Con-Test Environmental, tested the air for CO₂, O₂, and volatile chemical levels. The main building samples showed levels within acceptable tolerances. The portable classrooms were found to have elevated CO₂ levels and Minuteman Heating and Cooling then repaired and brought back on line the air handlers in each classroom bringing the air quality to acceptable standards.

Con-Test also tested the potable water throughout the school for lead and copper. All locations were found to be at very good levels with no problems noted. The back flow preventers on our water lines have been tested and are in good working order. The classroom thermostat and unitvent upgrade continued this last summer. The Middle School wing has now been completed. The next areas for attention will be the Science and Art wings.

Electrical and Telephone Systems

Page Electric has done a thorough analysis of the electrical system. The building's overall electric supply is sufficient but there is inadequate power getting to the various wings of the school to meet our needs. An additional panel box is needed in each wing to handle the increasing load caused by the addition of computers and other equipment. These new sub-panels will have surge protection and can be used to isolate the circuits with computers on them from the rest of the system and will allow for correction of problems involving phase balance and harmonics. Electrical work done this year included running a new sub-panel in the kitchen to allow use of new up-dated equipment. The emergency stops in the wood and metal shops were upgraded to a keyed reset type making for a greater level of security. Other repairs included adding new receptacles and power strips to various classrooms and work areas.

The telephone systems were replaced last summer with a new system by Lucent Technologies. This gives us a telephone system that is not on the verge of falling apart. We have picked up increased capabilities including voice mail for all our faculty and staff members.

ADA Compliance

We have accomplished much in this area in the last twelve months. The school has now met the requirements set forth by the state for full ADA Program Accessibility. Projects completed include the creation of a fully ADA compliant bathroom, the building of two new concrete ramps at entrances used by our handicapped students and visitors, the creation of a "walk through" in the fence line to allow easier access to the athletic fields, increasing the number of handicap parking spaces in our upper lot, and the posting of ADA approved signage throughout the building and parking areas.

CURRICULUM AND LEARNING

In 1993 the Massachusetts Legislature passed a far reaching educational reform initiative that has greatly affected this school. We have increased the length of our school day, instituted block scheduling, which has increased classes to 85 minutes in high school, and students in middle school remain with the same team of teachers in seventh and eighth grade. The state has developed frameworks for the teaching of English, Mathematics, Science, Social Sciences, Foreign Languages, Physical Education and Health, and the Arts. The faculty has spent much time in professional development to make them successful. This curriculum development is ongoing in all departments and modifications will continue to meet the demands of the state frameworks.

This year was the first year of the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System testing. Grade eight and grade ten students were tested in English, Mathematics and Science in the spring of 1998. In three years (2001), tenth grade students must pass tests in English, Mathematics, Science and Social Sciences to receive a high school diploma. The results of this year's testing will serve as a base line for improvement. With careful analysis of results, the staff will use this information and that from subsequent years to strengthen and improve learning.

Results of this testing are available on the international computer web, at your local library, and at the school.

SPACE NEEDS

Here it must be noted that the space available is entirely inadequate for current educational needs. Mandated Special Needs services are taking classroom space from regular programming which itself needs more space to meet an expanded curriculum. This need has long been recognized by the School Committee and there is currently in place a Building Committee, duly appointed by the Chairman, which is taking all necessary action to bring forth to the towns of the District a plan for meeting the critical needs of providing additional space and refurbishing the present building.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen M. Perkins
Superintendent

RALPH C. MAHAR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - Governmental and Fiduciary Fund Types
Year Ended June 30, 1998

	Governmental Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Type	Total (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Trust Funds	
REVENUES				
District assessments	\$2,987,554		\$	\$ 2,987,554
Intergovernmental aid	3,347,028	332,922		3,679,950
Interest income	26,547		2,050	28,597
Departmental and miscellaneous	14,127	192,649		213,776
Total revenues	<u>6,375,256</u>	<u>532,571</u>	<u>2,050</u>	<u>6,909,877</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Education:				
Instruction	3,153,076			3,153,076
Administration	212,404			212,404
Fixed charges	160,897		91,208	252,105
Other school services	666,754	313,774		980,528
Maintenance	468,426			468,426
Special needs - instruction	424,975	218,207		643,182
Special needs - other	1,006,879			1,006,879
Debt service - principal retirement	9,000			9,000
Scholarships			1,500	1,500
Total expenditures	<u>6,102,411</u>	<u>531,981</u>	<u>92,708</u>	<u>6,727,100</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) of total revenues over total expenditures	272,845	590	(90,658)	182,777
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Operating transfers in	35,000			79,986
Operating transfers out	(44,986)	(35,000)	44,986	(79,986)
Transfers to proprietary funds	(208,087)			(208,087)
Reimbursement of teacher pay deferral	<u>11,856</u>			<u>11,856</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) of total revenues and other financing sources over total expenditures and other uses	66,628	(34,410)	(45,672)	(13,454)
Fund balances, beginning	60,507	184,302	707,125	951,934
Restatement of funds			(453,805)	(453,805)
FUND BALANCES, ENDING	<u>\$ 127,135</u>	<u>\$ 149,892</u>	<u>\$ 207,648</u>	<u>\$ 484,675</u>

RALPH C. MAHAR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - Budget and Actual (Non GAAP) - General Fund

Year ended June 30, 1998

	General Fund		Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Budget	Actual	
REVENUES			
District assessments	\$2,987,554	\$2,987,554	\$ -
Intergovernmental aid	3,343,378	3,347,028	\$ (36,350)
Interest income	-	26,547	26,547
Departmental and miscellaneous	-	14,127	14,127
Total revenues	<u>6,430,932</u>	<u>6,375,256</u>	<u>(55,676)</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Education:			
Instruction	3,090,359	3,153,076	(62,717)
Administration	378,436	212,404	166,032
Fixed charges	215,100	160,897	54,203
Other school services	672,492	666,754	5,738
Maintenance	511,875	468,426	43,449
Special needs - instruction	428,919	424,975	3,944
Special needs - other	991,664	1,006,879	(15,215)
Debt service - principal retirement	9,000	9,000	-
Total expenditures	<u>6,297,845</u>	<u>6,102,411</u>	<u>195,434</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) of total revenues over total expenditures	133,087	272,845	139,758
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Operating transfers in	35,000	35,000	-
Operating transfers out	-	(44,986)	(44,986)
Transfers to proprietary funds	<u>(208,087)</u>	<u>(208,087)</u>	<u>-</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) of total revenues and other financing sources over total expenditures and other uses	<u>\$ (40,000)</u>	<u>\$ 54,772</u>	<u>\$ 94,772</u>

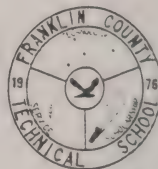
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1998 Annual Report

We are pleased to submit the annual report of Franklin County Technical School. The significant events that have transpired during the past year are noted. The October 1, 1998 enrollment was as follows:

Bernardston 18	Deerfield 16	Heath 7	Northfield 12	Warwick 7
Buckland 18	Erving 8	Leyden 5	Orange 78	Wendell 10
Colrain 35	Gill 4	Montague 55	Shelburne 11	Whately 7
Conway 11	Greenfield 137	New Salem 7	Sunderland 13	Non-District 28

Our work experience and cooperative work programs continue to be an effective method for job placement of our students. In June 1998, 73 students graduated and their placement record was as follows:

Entered Work Force 47

Entered College 24

Entered Military 2

Student Awards Highlights:

University of Massachusetts Scholars: Christine A. Mullen; Ashley T. Barstow

Outstanding Vocational Technical Student: Christine A. Mullen

Superintendent's Certificate of Academic Excellence: Ashley T. Barstow

Franklin County Rotary Club Most Improved Student Awards: Donna Babcock; Jennifer Clough; Chad Gates; Sandra Gonzales; Scott Grover; Ranaye Hardy; Sandra Krouse; Jason Secord; Robert Sokoloski; Kenneth Vight.

FCTS was the recipient of the 1998 Sportsmanship Award Sponsored by Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association.

Community service projects for surrounding towns and organizations continue to be an integral part of our vocational programs. The second year of our Franklin Medical Center's Beacon Housing Program is underway with completion set for June of 1999. In addition, we will be constructing an information center at the Whately Transfer station; building picnic tables and a gate for Sunderland's Town Park; building a stage addition for the Sunderland Elementary School; providing wiring for the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce Home and Trade Show; finishing the airport project in Turners Falls and providing a variety of services for other towns when needed.

In conclusion, we would like to express our gratitude to the entire educational community and residents of Franklin County Technical School and to all the residents of the County for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Cliff Fournier
School Committee Chairman

Frederick H. Green, III
Superintendent-Director



ACCREDITED MEMBER NEW ENGLAND ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES, INC.

FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Regional approaches have been for years touted as the logical arena for wrestling with many local problems. Whether getting a “bigger bang for the buck” in service delivery or attracting “more people under the tent” of economic, development, environmental protection or issue advocacy, the merits of reaching beyond municipal boundaries are hard to reject out of hand. The Massachusetts Municipal Association sponsors workshops on the subject. Numerous state agencies create program incentives for regionalizing service delivery. Increasingly, federal and private foundation grantors look for bigger picture approaches to investing their funds in infrastructure and programming.

In spite of the advantages, however, the practical obstacles to delivering regional services in home-rule strong Massachusetts can challenge short-term financial and long-term strategic logic. The challenges of growth or its absence, can cause citizens to focus only within the municipal bounds, presenting town officials with choices between the immediate bottom line and a riskier feeling long term investment in flexible capacity through regional partnership.

Since our transition to a voluntary council of governments in 1997, the FRCOG has been seen as a model in Massachusetts serving both the bigger bang and bigger tent objectives of regional collaboration. A central theme for the FRCOG is to provide our critical customers, town officials, with the hard products average taxpayers value while supporting big-picture regional efforts that create the context for our individual municipal members’ success.

In fiscal 2000, the total \$331,120 core regional services assessment to the towns will leverage nearly \$1.2 million in planning, community health, economic development and management capacity grants which serve our members. We have developed fee for service programs in health inspection, procurement, engineering and resource development that give officials a straight-forward way of purchasing the service they need without giving up home-rule control or committing to staffing levels that are sometimes politically difficult to change. Our regional planning efforts connect local technical support people can see to a regional plan that supports balanced growth. We lead advocacy for the future of state funding of school foundation budgets, awareness of the impact of the bond cap on critical service and economic development projects in the region, Chapter 90 transportation funding and technology infrastructure development, and coordination of acquiring federal economic development dollars through the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

Local officials have enormous agendas to balance to keep typical service costs down while maintaining an eye on how the environmental, economic, and political changes played out on a world scale will affect their town’s future. The balance of hard products and regional strategies offered through the FRCOG give local officials an efficient and locally accountable way to represent to their constituents that they are doing both.

Jay DiPucchio, Executive Director

1998 REPORT OF THE
FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

To the residents of FCSWMD member municipalities:

The District unveiled several new initiatives this past year, and took major steps toward determining where the solid waste from our member towns will go after June of 1999, when the Bernardston landfill finally closes. We issued a request for bids for hauling and disposal costs which, at this writing (January) are still being evaluated. One thing is certain: the "sticker shock" of increased disposal costs, that has been predicted for many years, has finally arrived. We are working to keep the costs down by contracting regionally.

Our three new hazardous waste "super sites" opened in the fall, accepting products such as automotive fluids, oil-based paints, fluorescent bulbs, and rechargeable batteries in Bernardston, Colrain, and Conway. The sites have been well received and well used, even though users must pay a small disposal fee. At least one of these sites is open every weekend throughout the year. As we expected, the super sites siphoned off much of the material that traditionally goes to the annual Household Hazardous Waste collection, reducing costs to the towns.

We provided residents of all of our towns the opportunity to get rid of their old electronic components with our Consumer Electronics Collection at three sites (Erving, Greenfield, and Shelburne) in September. About 12 tons of old computers, VCRs, and stereos came out of closets and attics, and all were brought to UMass, where they are "de-manufactured" before being recycled. Many of the items had been in storage for 10 years or more, testifying to peoples' reluctance to discard something that "must have some value." We are planning another collection for this summer.

Ten schools in our region are now outfitted with special units to wash milk cartons which, believe it or not, make up some 30% of a school's trash. Once washed, the cartons are fully recyclable. They are now being collected and transported to the Springfield MRF.

Our recycling programs continue their effectiveness. Most of our towns joined the new state program that reimburses towns for every ton of recyclable materials collected in the town. This program (called MRIP) brought in over \$31,000 in new revenue to our towns. Many towns use this money to reduce their assessments for the Solid Waste District. More than 5,463 tons of recyclable paper, bottles, cans, plastic, and aluminum were sent to the Springfield MRF or to Goodworks Recycling, saving approximately \$300,000 in disposal costs, while generating more than \$21,000 in revenue. Our combined recycling rate was 45% -- just shy of the state's overall goal of 46%, but way ahead of the overall state average of 34%. Clearly, all of your efforts at separating recyclables from your trash are paying off!

Our waste management committee prepared a model trash hauler licensing regulation for our Boards of Health, which will enable local Boards to keep better track of trash and recycling collection services being provided to residents. Most of our towns took advantage of a "mini-grant" program offered by the Springfield MRF Advisory Board. Depending on their population, towns received from \$250 to \$2000 to help promote their local programs. Many of the towns took part in a District-sponsored "lottery." 70 residents of 11 towns won prizes such as home compost bins, recycling set-out boxes, or used oil collection containers -- all made from recycled plastic.

By the time you read this, the District's new Solid Waste Master Plan will be in the hands of local Selectboards. The new plan incorporates information on "trash priorities" gathered from all Selectboards last year, and sets out the District's long- and short-term goals for the coming 5 years. One element of the new Plan is to shift many of our expenses onto a "fee for service" basis. The District has been moving in this direction for the past few years; about 85% of our FY 2000 revenue will come from program service fees.

Arthur Cohen, Gill -- *Chair*

Robert B. Rottenberg, Colrain -- *Administrator*

**CENTRAL FRANKLIN COUNTY DISTRICT
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICES**

Dear Veterans' and Citizens:

We have much to be grateful for this year. The Massachusetts Legislature has been very generous to veterans.

The Massachusetts Veterans Agents Association have been working with our State Legislatures since last Memorial Day on many veterans' bills and I have listed below many of those accomplishments.

A. REAL ESTATE TAX EXEMPTIONS CLAUSE 22: \$250.00 per year.

B. TAX FREE MILITARY PENSIONS: Ended Mass. being the only state to tax military pensions.

C. RETIREMENT BUY BACK: For government employees can buy up to 4 years toward retirement for time spent in military service.

D. ANNUITIES: Established an annual annuity of \$1500 to fathers & mothers of a serviceperson killed in action or who died of injuries or disease sustained in combat and to all 100% service-connected disabled.

E. AMERICAN FLAGS: Cities and Towns will be reimbursed 75% of the cost of the American flags used to decorate veterans' grave each Memorial Day.

F. SOLDIERS' HOMES: Budget were substantially increased. Holyoke was allowed to establish an Alzheimer's unit and a prescription mail program and Chelsea was allowed to reopen a new ward.

Many of the items I have listed above have not been increased in almost 40 years and some are new benefits.


As Veterans Day approaches let us take a few minutes out of our lives and let us pray for those who have gone before us, and let us continue to fight for those who are still alive.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Selectboard, for the Town of Whately, for joining the C.F.C. Veterans' District and I look forward to serving those veterans' in their town.

We are still formulating plans with the Farren Care Center and the Northampton VA Medical Center to combine services for veterans and their families to receive clinical care at the Community Health Center. I hope everything is in place by Veterans' Day.

If we can be of service, please visit or call my office at 413-863-3205.

Sincerely,


Leo J. Parent, Jr.
Director Veterans' Services

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

Unless otherwise indicated, all departments and offices are located in the Orange Town Hall, 6 Prospect Street.

INFORMATION ABOUT	CALL	NUMBER	ADDRESS
Accounts Payable	Accountant	544-2254	
Selectmen	Administrator	544-1106	
Assessments	Board of Assessors	544-1108	
Property Sales			
Property Valuation			
Owner Verification			
Exemptions			
Abatements			
Birth Certificates	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Building Permits	Building Department	544-1105	
Burial Permits	Board of Health	544-1107	
Business Certificates	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Cemetery	Superintendent	544-3681	
Census	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Conservation	Administrator	544- 1106	
Death Certificates	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Dog Licenses	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Elections	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Dogs, Lost, Found, Injured	Dog Officer	544-7715	
Electrical Permits	Building Department	544-1105	
Fire (burning) Permits	Fire Department	544-3145	
Fishing/Hunting Licenses	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Flood Maps	Assessors/Town Clerk	544-1108, 544-2254	
Gasoline Storage Permits	Town Clerk	544-2254	
General by-laws, Town	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Liquor Licenses	Selectmen's Office	544-1106	
Marriage License	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Meeting Notices	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Municipal Lien Certificates	Collector	544-1104	
New Resident to town	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Notary Public	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Parks/Playgrounds	Highway	544-1111	
Plumbing Permits	Building Department	544-1105	
Resident Listing	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Schools	School Administration		
Elementary Superintendent		544-3450	West Main St
Regional Superintendent		544-2542	South Main St
Fisher Hill School		544-0018	Dexter St
Dexter Park School		544-6080	Dexter St
Butterfield School		544-6136	South Main St
Senior Citizen	Council on Aging	544-1113	Armory
Senior Citizen	Meal Site	544-7082	Armory
Septic System	Board of Health	544-1107	
Subdivisions	Planning Board	544-1106	
Tax Collections	Collector	544-1104	
Payment of bills			

Town Recycling Center/Transfer Station		544-1118	Jones St
Town Report	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Town Meeting Warrant	Selectmen's Office	544-1106	
Veterans Benefits	Veteran's Agent	413-863-3205	Turners Falls
Tree Warden		544-3804	
UCC Filings	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Used Car Licenses	Selectmen's Office	544-1106	
Voting Information	Town Clerk	544-2254	
Water	Water Department	544-1115	West Myrtle St
Wiring Permits	Building Department	544-1105	
Work Permits	Mahar Regional	544-2542	South Main St
Zoning by-Laws, Town Copies for Sale	Town Clerk	544-2254	
	Administrator	544-1106	

IMPORTANT ORANGE TELEPHONE NUMBERS

	Telephone Number	Location
Police - Emergency	911	400 East River St
Other Business	544-2129	
Fire - Emergency	911	Water St
Ambulance	544-2727	
Other Business	544-3145	
(Burning Permits)		
(Inspections)		
Housing Authority	544-6000	200 East River St
Recycling Center	544-1118	Jones St
Library		East Main St
Wheeler Memorial Library	544-2495	
Moore-Leland Library	575-0444	Main St, North Orange
Orange Post Office	544-6595	South Main St
Orange Public Schools		
Dexter Park	544-6080	Dexter St
Fisher Hill	544-0018	Dexter St
Butterfield	544-6136	South Main St
Discovery Depot	544-1124	Dexter St
Mahar Regional	544-2542	South Main St
Waste Water Treatment Plant	544-1114	West Main St

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